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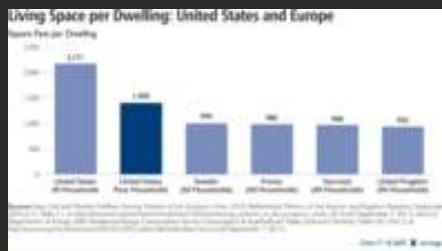


why socialism fails and capitalism succeeds by Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 14:01:01 EST ID: EAWTVEt3 No.292933

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>> **Phoebe Nicklelock** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 14:05:48 EST ID:MFbH5prO No.292934 Quick Reply

>>292933 (OP)

Why is more living space better?

>> **Fuck Nellybury** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 14:24:09 EST ID:kzWAYJJW No.292935 Quick Reply

Oh look. Another anti-Socialist thread courtesy of user EAWTVEt3.

#1 -- Europe is not Socialist. I got into a debate with someone the other day, because he said that Socialism lacks a definition. Well, if you're reading this, then here's a bright, shining example of how people perpetuate wrong information.

#2 -- In a socialist society, private property is abolished, therefore living space actually grows, because you're no longer restricted by other people's ownership.

>> **Molly Wugglebanks** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 14:40:09 EST ID:Aww5FSOn No.292937 Quick Reply

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>ITT: The US' capitalist economic model produces more living space than some European countries' capitalist economic models

Your logic is inadequate, Eugene Blatherfoot.

>> **Clara Brookforth** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:01:11 EST ID:Hcy7h8iN No.292940 Quick Reply

>>292933 (OP)

The USA has a population density of 89 people per square mile. The UK has a population density of 673 people per square mile. Germany has a pop density of 583/sq mile. France has 303/sq mile. Sweden has 60 (but the northern part of the country is largely uninhabited).

Not to mention British, German, French and Swedish cities and urban centers have been developing for 1000+ years but in the USA for only a handful of centuries.

>> **Nathaniel Crozzlehit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:08:37 EST ID:eSp7Nu+y No.292943 Quick Reply

>>292934

Americans love their lebensraum

>> **Sidney Hillerdale** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:19:42 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.292945

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No idea what any of this has to do with socialism failing, but I welcome another proof that all the people screaming about how USA is an inhospitable shithole are, in fact, retarded.

>> **Orwell** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:23:01 EST ID:v3Jgbj4s No.292948

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>>292945

The fact of the United States being an intolerable shit-hole has a lot to do with your privilege, the position you were born in it. Obviously you're ignorant, or maybe I'm just too Detroit.

Either way, our city is YOUR future, motherfucker. nb

>> **Sidney Hillerdale** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:42:31 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.292960

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>> **Wesley Clazzeshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 15:50:59 EST ID:2fotypt No.292967

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>>292933 (OP)

>implying europe is socialist  
>not understanding population density  
>not realizing that the majority of land in the USA is  
worth NOTHING

>> **Whitey Dartspear** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 16:05:28 EST ID:0gm3jfr5 No.292975

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Is there a parallel to be drawn between Poland, Hungary, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Romania between 1988-89 and Greece, Italy, Spain, Turkey, and

Brazil 2011-2013?

Evidently, something is failing, whatever it's called.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 16:14:30 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292979

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>>292967

>**not reading**

Scandinavia has far lower population density than the US, and it's included on the list.

European homes aren't small because of some cultural preference for being packed like a sardine, it's because welfare states are fucking poor.

>"**not realizing that the majority of land in the USA is worth NOTHING**"

And yet its still able to make better use out of it.

>> **Wesley Clazzleshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 16:18:22 EST ID:2fotylpt No.292981

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>>292979

>**Scandinavia has far lower population density than the US, and it's included on the list.**

Everyone in Scandinavia lives in the south, YOU DENSE MOTHERFUCKER BECAUSE HALF THE COUNTRY IS ABOVE THE POLE CIRCLE YOU DENSE STUPID RETARDED MOTHERFUCKER!

HOLY FUCKING SHIT WHY ARE YOU SO FUCKING DUMB? YOU HAVE TO BE A FUCKING ALIEN TO BE SO FUCKING DUMB GODDAMN! FUCK DIDN'T YOUR TEACHERS AT SCHOOL TAUGHT YOU GEOGRAPHY?

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 16:52:20 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292984

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>>292981

>**Everyone in Scandinavia lives in the south,**

"Everyone" in the US lives near the coasts, it doesn't change the point.

>> **Wesley Clazzleshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 16:58:32 EST ID:2fotylpt No.292985

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>>292984

The majority of the USA is still hospitable.

The majority of Scandinavia is NOT! You're dumb, and you stayed dumb. Fuck, you're retarded.

>> Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:00:40 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292986

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>>292985

>The majority of Scandinavia is NOT! You're dumb, and you stayed dumb. Fuck, you're retarded.

This doesn't change the fact that the welfare state is failaids. Even if you limit it to south Sweden the country still has way lower population density than the US.

>> Wesley Clazzleshit - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:05:51 EST ID:2fotylpt No.292987

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>>292986

So what?

That just means that land in South-Sweden is really expensive, and land in the USA is DIRT CHEAP.

My dad is a fucking CAR MECHANIC!

He can buy a fucking VILLA in the USA with the money he makes here in the Netherlands.

The USA has fucking SHIT house prices and SHIT land prices. Fucking shit doesn't cost anything. I can fucking buy huge plots of land, just from my little university "welfare".

Or you're retarded, or you're trolling. There's no other explanation.

>> Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:16:05 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292988

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>> **Hannah Gemmerchet** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:18:42 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.292990

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>>292988

europe has been continuously inhabited for between 2 and 4 thousand years whereas america was wiped out and then gradually repopulated over the last 400 years

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:20:55 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292991

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>>292990

>**europe has been continuously inhabited for between 2 and 4 thousand years**

So they should be really good at building non-shit houses, right?

>> **Wesley Clazzeshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:24:03 EST ID:2fotylpt No.292992

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>>292988

Because the USA is an underdeveloped country lacking serious infrastructure in the majority of the country.

The more infrastructure is around, the more expensive land gets.

My grandma has glass fiber internet that would make an American citydweller drool.

And she lives on a farm. Outside a little village.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:25:09 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292993

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>>292992

>**Because the USA is an underdeveloped country lacking serious infrastructure in the majority of the country.**

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>> **Wesley Clazzeshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:26:40 EST ID:2fotylpt No.292994

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>>292993

Remember this?

This wouldn't even happen in fucking Poland.



>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:28:02 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292995

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>>292994

>This wouldn't even happen in fucking Poland.

Way to cherry pick irrelevant crap.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:29:45 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292996

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Table 3-0 FIVE-YEAR AGE-ADJUSTED CANCER SURVIVAL RATES, UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup> AND SELECTED EUROPEAN COUNTRIES <sup>2</sup>						
	Breast (Female)	Cervix (Female)	Colon (Male)	Umag (Male)	Precancer (Male)	Thyroid (Female)
United States	82.9	69.0	61.7	12.2	91.2	95.9
White	87.0	71.8	63.5	12.0	92.7	95.7
Black	69.2	55.6	52.0	12.0	69.2	93.0
England	66.7	82.6	41.0	7.0	66.3	74.4
Denmark	72.0	64.2	50.2	5.0	41.0	71.7
France	80.3	64.1	51.8	11.3	61.2	91.0
Germany	71.7	64.1	49.8	8.7	67.6	77.0
Italy	76.7	64.0	46.0	8.0	47.4	77.0
Norway	82.6	66.0	51.0	8.0	64.7	83.7
Switzerland	79.6	67.2	52.3	10.0	71.4	78.0

Notes: 1. U.S. National Cancer Institute (1997); year of diagnosis 1985-86. 2. International Agency for Research on Cancer (1998); year of diagnosis 1985-89.

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>> **Barnaby Humblefield** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:49:28 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.292997

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>>292996

OP, you need to accept you're a fag. Land doesn't grow on trees.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:56:41 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.292999

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Table 1-3 MEAN LIFE EXPECTANCY AT BIRTH, OECD COUNTRIES, ACTUAL AND STANDARDIZED TO OECD MEAN LIFE EXPECTANCY, 1980-90		
	Actual Mean	Standardized Mean
United States	78.3	78.9
Netherlands	77.8	76.8
Sweden	77.0	78.7
Canada	77.5	78.2
Denmark	75.3	76.1
Germany	75.4	76.1
Austria	78.0	78.1
Switzerland	77.7	78.1
Japan	78.7	78.0
Australia	76.8	76.0
France	76.6	76.0
Belgium	74.7	76.0
Austria	78.3	76.0
Netherlands	77.0	75.9
Italy	78.8	75.8

>>292997

>OP, you need to accept you're a fag. Land doesn't grow on trees.

Try harder. If you're not going to present an argument, why post?

It's not just housing anyway, its virtually every category of good.

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 17:59:22 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293000 Quick Reply

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I just presented the argument. Land doesn't grow on trees, your turn. I'm not talking about 'goods' in the economy, privatizing land is fucking stupid in general.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:00:30 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293002 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293000

>**I just presented the argument. Land doesn't grow on trees, your turn.**

That has about as much relevance to the discussion as hurr. We've already established that parts of europe surveyed (like south Sweden) have much lower population density than the US.

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:04:43 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293003 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293002

So I'm so glad that's established, so what is your argument anyway? That the entire US isn't as comfy is a portion of Sweden? I need it laid out verbatim. Give me your thesis you bitch.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:06:55 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293004 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293003

>**So I'm so glad that's established, so what is your argument anyway? That the entire US isn't as comfy is a portion of Sweden? I need it laid out verbatim. Give me your thesis you bitch.**

It's in the OP

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:09:07 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293005 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293004

No fucking shiiiiit, that's not an argument that's a little factoid. I'm talking about the point in showing your stupid bar-graph.

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:22:15 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293006 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293004

What does lower or higher population density have to do with capitalism as opposed to socialism? What does that have to do with Europe's population density as opposed to America's? As said above, Europe is not fucking socialist.

Argue this shit.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:45:35 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293009 Quick Reply

&gt;&gt;293006

>What does lower or higher population density have to do with capitalism as opposed to socialism?

Nothing, it was brought up by you

> As said above, Europe is not fucking socialist.

Doesn't change the fact that welfare states are failaids

>> Nicholas Pickshit - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:50:14 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293012

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>>293009

>Doesn't change the fact that welfare states are failaids

really? as i sit by my fjord in a perfectly well functioning economy i honestly dont feel the crushing oppression of being treated if i happen to get sick...

>> Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 18:56:47 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293016

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>>292996

>>292999

>> Lord of Obscurity and Darkness - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:00:52 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293018

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>>293009

You moron, your splitting hairs not making a point, if this isn't about capitalism as opposed to socialism in correlation with rising/lowering population densities then you are pontificating by definition.

>> Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:02:46 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293019

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>>293018

>You moron, your splitting hairs not making a point, if this isn't about capitalism as opposed to socialism in correlation with rising/lowering population densities then you are pontificating by definition.

You were the only one who brought up population density

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:04:43 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293020

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>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:09:27 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293021

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>>293019

>>292979

>>292940

I don't like poor arguments, and I like it less when they continue to digress. The title says why socialism fails and capitalism succeeds then you post some stupid bar-graph on Living-Space per Dwelling, and then tell me this discussion has nothing to do with socialism as opposed to capitalism in correlation to rising/lowering population densities. So what then? Am I missing something or I'm talking to someone who doesn't even know what they're talking about?

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:10:52 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293022

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Table 1. Five-Year Relative Survival Rates for Cancer of Different Sites, US and European Cancer Registrations*		
Site	United States	Europe
Prostate	99.3	77.5
Skin melanoma	92.3	86.3
Breast	90.1	79.0
Cervix uteri	82.3	78.0
Colon/rectum	65.5	56.2
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	62.9	54.6
Stomach	23.0	24.9
Lung	15.7	10.9
All malignancies (men)	66.5	47.3
All malignancies (women)	62.9	55.8

>>293021

>Am I missing something or I'm talking to someone who doesn't even know what they're talking about?

You're doing fine

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:12:59 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293024

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>>293022

No, I'm doing great, you're a fucking troll. Because you can't actually make a serious case for capitalism.

>> **Nathaniel Blackleset** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:20:13 EST ID:YUWmKKC7 No.293026

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This thread is dildos. OP, make an actual argument. You haven't made a single coherent point. Then you make the mistake of thinking Europe is Socialist. Come back after you researched this a bit more.

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:20:21 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293027

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>>293024

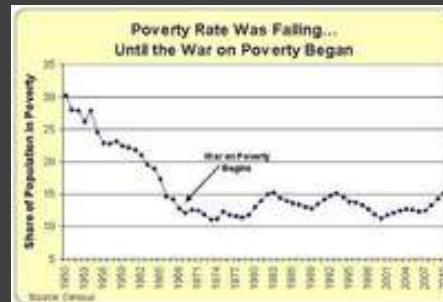
>No, I'm doing great, you're a fucking troll. Because you can't actually make a serious case for capitalism.

I already did, market capitalism >> welfare state

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:22:55 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293029

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>> **Nathaniel Blackleset** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:25:11 EST ID:YUWmKKC7 No.293030

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>> **Nicholas Pickshit** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:27:30 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293031

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actually id like to point out, with regards to OPs image, that america just had a housing bubble that shook the entire global economy. basically a serious misapplication of resources. you gave poor quality big houses to people who couldnt afford them in a fuck up that was felt in freaking addis abeba. using house size as your argument is basically trolling yourself because its pretty much part of the evidence that you fucked shit up in the moving wealth to places its needed business.

>> **Lord of Obscurity and Darkness** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:27:34 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293032

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>> **Angus Worthingbury** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:28:04 EST ID:HQvl6r+D No.293033     Quick Reply

>>293029

Do you have the graph showing the share of wealth in the top 1% - as opposed to income - steadily declining since the gilded age?

>> **Angus Worthingbury** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:37:23 EST ID:HQvl6r+D No.293037     Quick Reply

>>293032

>personal choices cause individual inequality

>BUT THAT'S NOT TRUE, JOE! LOOK AT ALL OF THESE RARE AND STATISTICALLY MINOR CONFOUNDING VARIABLES I LISTED!! I HAVE PRECISELY REFUTED YOUR (OBVIOUSLY TRUE) CLAIM THAT INEQUALITY IS LARGE CAUSED BY VARIANCE IN BEHAVIOR

>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:37:32 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293038     Quick Reply

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>> **Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:40:41 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293040     Quick Reply

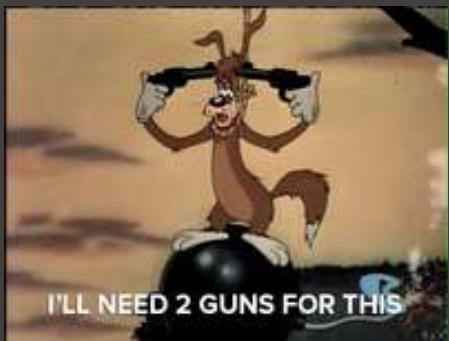
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>> Nathaniel Blackleset - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:40:53 EST ID:YUWmKKC7 No.293041

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>>293038

Ok, that's enough. Going on ignore. Done with Pol for today.

>> Eugene Blatherfoot - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:45:20 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293043

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Household Appliance Ownership (%)	1971 (All)	2005 (All)	2005 (Poors)
Washing Machine	71.5%	84.2%	88.5%
Clothes Dryer	44.5	81.2	81.2
Dishwasher	18.8	64.0	38.7
Refrigerator	83.3	99.3	98.9
Toaster	32.2	34.8	29.3
Stove	87.0	88.8	97.0
Microwave Oven	1.0	98.4	91.2
Cable TV	43.3	98.9	97.4
VCR	0.0	92.2	83.8
Personal Computer	0.0	65.1	42.4
Telephone	81.0	99.8	79.8
Air Conditioner	70.8	85.7	78.8
Cellular Phone	0.0	71.3	66.3

Household Vehicle Ownership (%)	1970 (All)	2000 (All)
One or More Vehicles	62.9	93.7
Two or More Vehicles	34.8	85.0

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>> Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:47:12 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293044

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>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:48:02 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293045

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>>293040

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>> **Angus Worthingbury** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:49:42 EST ID:HQvl6r+D No.293047

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>>293040

>>293041

Income and wealth are different economic variables, despite being conflated in rhetoric.

>> **Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:49:55 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293048

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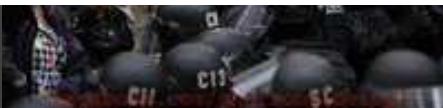
>> **Eugene Blatherfoot** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 19:59:40 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293053

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>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:02:32 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293055

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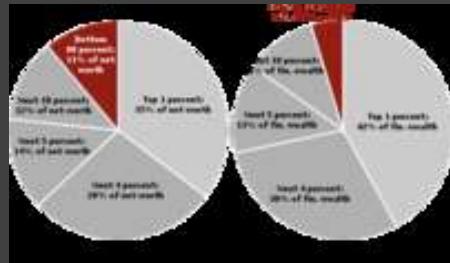
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LOL @ not a single leftist on this board being able to present a real argument, yet still ignoring any facts that disagree with their opinions

>> **Wesley Gablinghall** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:12:27 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293061

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comparisons of "net worth" aren't very good because most of it is tied up in house prices for the majority of people and this wealth is obviously not liquid at all. a better measure is financial wealth.

>> **Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:13:14 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293062

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>>293055

you call them 'facts' like you used them in a coherent drawn-out argument or something.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:15:34 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293064

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>>293061

**>a better measure is financial wealth.**

Not necessarily, housing is directly useable rather than have stacks of cash randomly lying about. Also taxi companies + bed & breakfasts, first world proletarians are capitalists etc

>> **Orwell** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:15:37 EST ID:v3Jgbj4s No.293065

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>>293062

Just let him be with his graphs man, just let him be...

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:16:24 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293066

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>>293062

>**you call them 'facts' like you used them in a coherent drawn-out argument or something.**

The argument is that the poorest people under capitalism are better off than the average person under social welfarism.

>> **Wesley Gablinghall** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:18:16 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293068

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>>293064

houses are not liquid at all so i don't see how you can compare them

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:20:08 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293070

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>>293068

>**houses are not liquid at all so i don't see how you can compare them**

You have a point pan.

I don't think any system should be justified on economic grounds, only to the degree that it supports traditional hierarchies against liberal capitalism (which is why Spengler supported the USSR and Hitler)

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:24:38 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293071

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>>293055

well, in regard to OPs image i pointed out that the scandinavian welfare states are doing just fine as well as the fact that the large houses of americans is basically evidence of the recent economics fail that shook the world. i havent bothered reading most of the thread but im pretty sure i at least assembled an argument (even if im not sure its leftist; see other thread about americans and the herculean task of deciphering wtf they mean when invoking a political label).

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:35:15 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293075

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"To fight this recession the Fed needs more than a snapback; it needs soaring household spending to offset moribund business investment. And to do that, as Paul McCulley of Pimco put it, Alan Greenspan needs to create a housing bubble to replace the Nasdaq bubble."  
- Paul Krugman, 2002

>>293071

>well, in regard to OPs image i pointed out that the scandinavian welfare states are doing just fine as well as the fact that the large houses of americans is basically evidence of the recent economics fail that shook the world.

1) Europe had its own housing boom as well which was no less severe, the world economy is just heavily dependent on the US. 2) Keynesians did predict the housing boom, in fact they were glad that it happened.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:39:34 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293078 Quick Reply

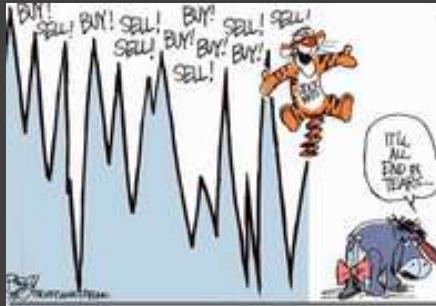
>>293071

>scandinavian welfare states are doing just fine as well

No, they're poor as shit as per the data provided

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:47:04 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293079 Quick Reply

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>>293075

1) europe is not a single entity. id have thought that the fact that the eu is more dysfunctional than the american congress would make this obvious.

2) they did predict it but they werent keynesians they were economists. keynes is like any other scientist. newton got some things right but needed einstein to build and polish the complicated bits. einstein himself famously claimed that "god dosent play dice" which the entire field of quantum mechanics has pretty much proved wrong. this is the nature of science. just because the guys you see on your tv are faggots dosent mean economics is less of a science. and no, economists were not "happy" it happened. people were glad that it didnt take longer to happen because it would have been subjectively worse the more it was delayed. as economists these people were neither happy nor sad, science is amoral, merely a description and not a goal. you dont ask a physicist if gravity is right or wrong do you?

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:49:29 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293080 Quick Reply

>>293079

>1) europe is not a single entity. id have thought that the fact that the eu is more dysfunctional than the american congress would make this obvious.

We can agree on that. But the US' devotion to freedom (at least before liberals took over) does set it apart.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:55:00 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293081 Quick Reply

>>293078

trade and budget surpluses would beg to disagree. also we didnt allocate a bunch of resources to providing floor space for those who couldent afford it. when we, via our welfare state, give someone something they cant pay for we note it as a cost. this means we can balance our books. we dont give someone a house

they cant pay for and pretend they can. lending money to someone who cant repay it is not an investment. by noting that we are *giving* money to people we at least have an honest book keeping. your "investments" are no more likely to pay back their loan than our welfare recipients. less actually.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 20:59:30 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293082 Quick Reply

>>293080

>**But the US' devotion to freedom (at least before liberals took over) does set it apart.**

not really. you just say it a lot. i honestly mean no offense but "freedom" in america is a total crapshoot. you just keep repeating the word and assume that lower taxes than some parts of europe as well as having guns means that you are free. americans saying that they are free-er honestly chimes false when struck by reality.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 21:10:10 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293084 Quick Reply

>>293082

But that's just rhetorical blather. Have you ever been to Germany? Not just as a tourist, as an exchange student or something where you had to get by on a somewhat realistic income?

When you rent an apartment in Germany, you literally *get a room*. One room, a few sockets and a bathroom. No appliances, furnishings, anything like that- you need to buy all those extra at 25% VAT and exorbitant prices. The kind of things Americans take for granted- TVs, computers, cars, washing machines- these are normal to not have in the rest of the world.

The GDP figures don't tell the whole story. Welfare states are really, really poor. You don't even know what you have until you lose it.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 21:32:37 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293085 Quick Reply

>>293084

im swedish, im pretty sure i know what a welfare state looks like. i wont speak for germany but aside from cars (our leadership dislikes oil addiction) none of what you speak of is hard to acquire. my freedom of speech is also far more protected than yours. also who in our generation uses a tv these days? im not trying to be a dick but my government will gladly pay much of my rent ect. as i study. we used to pay for exchange students too but the fact that we were paying for our own people in their countries and paying for their people in our country left a slightly sour taste so it was discontinued.

in general though americas debt/gdp is higher than that of india. this means you have a bunch of stuff you havent actually paid for, and that is just federal debt.

>> **Whitey Chuzzlederk** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 21:39:33 EST ID:okLR9Ptt No.293086 Quick Reply

>>293079

Don't you dare call economics a science.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 21:41:15 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293087 Quick Reply

>>293085

>**in general though americas debt/gdp is higher than that of india. this means you have a bunch of stuff you havent actually paid for, and that is just federal debt.**

What a random point that is. The debt is simply an accounting mechanism, a country that issues its own currency can cover its own liabilities. Sweden has only a little bit less debt anyway. They have a balanced budget amendment which was a good move.

I'm not saying Germany is utterly third world. I'm saying that goods that virtually everyone has in the US are unaffordable for many and sometimes most people in other "developed" countries.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 21:59:00 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293088

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>>293086

it follows the scientific method ergo it is a science.

>>293087

fair enough. the india thing was a bit random. however i have lived in the usa and even in wealthy neighborhoods many live worse in big houses with lots of plastic crap than even poor people live here. its not some sort of "what is happiness" philosophical bullshit . i lived on the same street in the same type of house as a congressman and it was more shoddy than the country house im now sitting in. my teacher bought colored paper with her own \$\$\$ because the school, one of the best in the nation apparently, didnt cover that. floor area in something that is barely built properly dosent impress me. nor does the "stuff" americans have, and honestly, i know plenty of your countrymen who are in the 1% if not far further. again, its not some sort of philosophical "you can be happy with just a sleeping mat and a broom" its the fact that a poorly built house is full of crappily built shit that someone might even have taken a loan to buy. and thats the rich people. again, not trying to insult, but a swedis kr would buy much more in america than in sweden. the norwegians have oil so with one of their coins you could just go crazy. i also doubt germany is very impressed.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 22:07:59 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293089

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>>293088

**> but a swedis kr would buy much more in america than in sweden.**

This is true because of the QE bullshit. But the purchasing power of the kronor in Sweden is probably not that great because prices are so high.

I can't say anything about the clueless congressman you ran into but what exactly was so shoddy about it? If you mean it was poorly repaired, then that's the owner's fault, cracks and smelliness only happen if you don't do maintenance. I'll give you that nothing I bought in Europe was particularly poorly made or unreliable, but that doesn't justify its mad price, I can't even image how the locals are able to get by on the cost of living.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 22:18:08 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293090

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>>293089

its not the QE its that america dosent produce enough goods and services to swap for the goods and services of other places. as for the houses; it wasnt that they were in a state of disrepair it was that they were poorly built from the beginning. you guys (and we when we lived there) just burn more oil in the basement instead of building proper structures. i remember my father (who has lived in america several times) finally getting the epiphany as to why disney films are full of icicles. basically the isolation is poor so in america you increase the heat which melts the snow and then it freezes into icicles.

i really not trying to offend but im intimatley familiar with how the wealthy live in your country and i really am not impressed. i shudder to think how the poor live.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 22:24:33 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293091

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>>293090

**>basically the isolation is poor so in america you increase the heat which melts the snow and then it freezes into icicles.**

The insulation you mean? The US doesn't have the environmentalist gimmick going. We don't care about heating costs. Unlike in Sweden or whatnot we can afford utilities.

I'm not offended. From my experience the typical German apartment is something out of an inner city ghetto in the US. Everyone drives tiny ten year old cars and lives in microscopic apartments. Shops are full of goods people aren't buying.

A soda can costs like 3 euros and your salary is like 1,500 a month. And you get thoroughly taxed on that. Entertainment, electronics, all that is pricey, eating out is impossible... it's just so much different.

It's not bad, I guess, it just could be better.

>> **Phineas Pittcocke** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 23:30:22 EST ID:Q66MnYsV No.293098

>>293091

yup, its the insulation. and we can easily afford it too currently but with an eye towards the future we dont consider it sustainable. tbh its mostly hippie greens who have driven this policy but i guess i should be happy regardless. 3 euros is a ridiculous price for a soda and if you payed that you got screwed. however paying the actual price for the material, physical mass and labor to create a product is how economics should work. the fact that eating out is expensive (and probably more so here in sweden) is because the waiters/waitresses get paid properly and over here get paternal leave and stuff. having what amounts to a slave class like what you have in america makes things much cheaper be they american, mexican or chinese. what you should worry about is not that but the inefficient allocation of resources.

>> **Faggy Brunderputch** - Sat, 22 Jun 2013 23:59:46 EST ID:gwCy4vRz No.293099

Europe has a higher population density.

Thread ignored.

>> **Phoebe Febleway** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 00:34:03 EST ID:Aww5FSoN No.293100

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OP, blissfully ignorant that the US *is* per definition a welfare state, continues to beat his meat to charts, anecdotal evidence and Austrian-school dogma before drenching /pol/ in dense, libertarian cum.

>> **Phoebe Febleway** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 00:48:12 EST ID:Aww5FSoN No.293102

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>>293100

Then again, OP is most likely a troll



>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:13:31 EST ID: EAWTVEt3 No.293123

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>>293098

**>having what amounts to a slave class like what you have in america makes things much cheaper be they american, mexican or chinese.**

Our "slave class" is richer than your middle class.

**>OP, blissfully ignorant that the US is per definition a welfare state,**

We're speaking in relative terms. Maybe over the past few years it has taken a turn for welfarism but for most of the time since about 1960 there has been a divide between US free market policies and European welfarist ones.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:30:04 EST ID: EAWTVEt3 No.293124

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>>293100

Anyway in response to that graph I give you >>292933 (OP)

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:33:30 EST ID: EAWTVEt3 No.293125

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>>293099

For the purposes of your argument, it doesn't. We've been over this twice. I mean, you can ignore the thread if you disagree with reality, but that doesn't change the fact that socialism condemns almost everyone to poverty.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:49:41 EST ID: Sge+v9HI No.293127

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>>292975

**>>Drive countries into economic collapse by isolating them (former soviet states) or causing a world-wide economic crisis through your banking system**  
**>>Blame socialism**

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:51:30 EST ID: Sge+v9HI No.293128

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>>293123

**>>Our "slave class" is richer than your middle class.**

Having lived in both environments - hell no. I've never heard of anyone in my country working more than a full-time job just to barely make ends meet.

>> Barnaby Fublingdale - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 11:52:01 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293129

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Forgot to add, the standard of living was pretty close.

>> Sidney Tillingham - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 12:16:22 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293130

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2008 GDP-PPP per Capita U.S. States vs. EU	
1. District of Columbia	33943.07
2. Luxembourg	27912.02
3. Connecticut	20591.92
4. Hawaii	19511.1
5. Wyoming	16952.91
6. Connecticut	16115.92
7. New York	16112.02
8. Vermont	15812.15
9. Massachusetts	15741.91
10. New Jersey	1544.68
11. Virginia	1213.32
12. Nevada	1040.47
13. Louisiana	950.99
14. Mississippi	930.22
15. Colorado	910.22
16. Texas	910.14
17. California	910.04
18. Missouri	895.92
19. Washington	895.82
20. Oregon	843.12
21. North Dakota	842.02
22. Maryland	841.92
23. Nebraska	841.82
24. South Dakota	841.72
25. New Hampshire	841.62
26. Rhode Island	841.52
27. Pennsylvania	841.42
28. Alaska	841.32
29. Kansas	841.22
30. North Carolina	841.12
31. Georgia	841.02
32. Massachusetts	840.92
33. New Mexico	840.82
34. North Carolina	840.72
35. Wisconsin	840.62
36. Michigan	840.52
37. Massachusetts	840.42
38. Utah	840.32
39. Indiana	839.92
40. Arizona	838.92
41. Mississippi	838.82
42. Montana	837.92
43. Louisiana	837.82
44. Montana	837.62
45. Mississippi	836.92
46. Kentucky	836.62
47. Massachusetts	836.52
48. Wyoming	836.42
49. U.S.	835.42
50. Florida	835.32
51. Alaska	835.22
52. Health (Norway)	834.82
53. China	834.62
54. Argentina	834.52
55. Argentina	834.42
56. Norway	834.32
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61. France	832.62
62. Portugal	832.42

>>293128

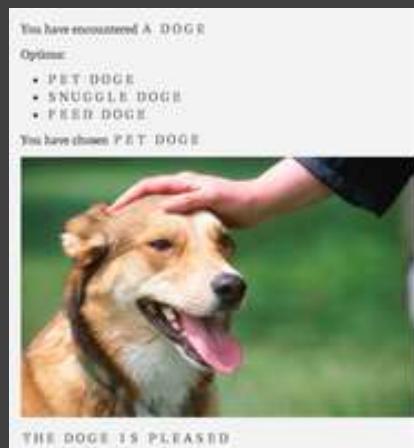
>Having lived in both environments - hell no. I've never heard of anyone in my country working more than a full-time job just to barely make ends meet.

I don't know *how* people make ends meet over there. Germany was basically Alabama IME, this table pretty much sums it up.

>> Phoebe Fubbleway - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 12:55:35 EST ID:Aww5FSoN No.293131

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>>293124

>Norway, absolute poverty rate: 1,7

>The US, absolute poverty rate: 11,7

>Doesn't matter because of our superior size of DWELLINGS

>> Sidney Tillingham - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:04:09 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293134

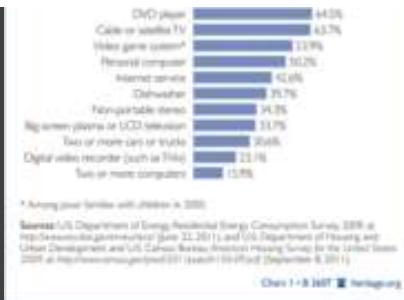
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>>293131

Again, the "poverty rate" doesn't really tell you anything, the shittiest parts of the US are better than the best parts of Europe.



>> **Nicholas Fuckingwill** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:05:49 EST ID:5kR0twc+ No.293135

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>>293131

This post just reminded me of a full-retard high-school teacher that I had.

Some kids were arguing about what you guys are arguing about before the class ended (And everybody is basically doing nothing since the lesson was short).

The teacher pipes up.

>**I've been to Europe, and it's not like the left-wing media makes it look.**

>**Everybody lives in little apartments.**

>**Nobody owns houses even though they all want to.**

>**Lol and get a dirty look from him**

I guess people have to resort to saying ridiculous shit when they take a ridiculous position in a discussion or public policy debate (In the case of politicians).

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:09:29 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293136

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>>293135

>**I guess people have to resort to saying ridiculous shit**

"Ridiculous shit" like facts?

Have you ever been to Germany?

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:14:41 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293137

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Goddamn this is a horrible thread to read.

The way people think is laughable.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:16:39 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293138

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>>293137

I would agree. In fact every liberal should take a field trip to a European country before they claim how not-fucking disaster the welfare state is.

>> **Nicholas Fuckingwill** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:19:23 EST ID:5kR0twc+ No.293139 Quick Reply

>>293136

Saying that fewer people owned homes in Europe wasn't the ridiculous part, the argument that he was supporting and the image that he was promoting were ridiculous.

Saying that a population is more or less wealthy or well off based on the sizes of their homes is silly.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:21:14 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293140 Quick Reply

>>293139

>**Saying that a population is more or less wealthy or well off based on the sizes of their homes is silly.**

So what's your point?

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:22:05 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293141 Quick Reply

>>293138

Alright, I'll play. Not like the stakes are high.

Define "liberal".

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:23:08 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293142 Quick Reply

>>293141

We have another thread for that. Anyway, you should def travel if you haven't.

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:31:00 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293143 Quick Reply

>>293142

Don't dodge my question or try to redirect me away.

A term should have a simple, concise meaning. I DARE you to simply, and concisely define exactly what you mean by "liberal".

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:32:59 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293145 Quick Reply

>>293143

IDGAS honestly, let's talk about how awesome living in a 60m2 house is.

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:34:50 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293147

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>>293145

Hah, looks like I lost this bet.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:53:32 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293148

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>>293138

**>In fact every liberal should take a field trip to a European country before they claim how not-fucking disaster the welfare state is.**

I bet you lie in bed every night crying about those scary muslims too!

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 13:59:10 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293151

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>>293148

**>I bet you lie in bed every night crying about those scary muslims too!**

Nah, I don't care about that, I'm just glad I was only there for six months.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 14:52:04 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293155

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>>293151

You're pathetic bro.

Hahahahah.

What a wanker, afraid of a few muzzies with no money and no power.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 14:55:04 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293157

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>>293155

>**What a wanker, afraid of a few muzzies with no money and no power.**

When you're done strawmanning let me know.

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 14:59:30 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293158

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>>293157

You call out people for using strawman arguments, yet you yourself dodge inconvenient questions. That's pretty crappy.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:06:21 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293163

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>>293158

>**yet you yourself dodge inconvenient questions.**

Like when? There are some irrelevant questions like "what is a liberal?" but I've answered all the substantial arguments.

Just take the time to make a real response rather than snide passive aggressive jabs.

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:10:50 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293164

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>>293163

That is not an irrelevant question; it's a question that is obviously very significant.

You are trolling.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:12:59 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293165

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>>293125

>**socialism condemns almost everyone to poverty.**

Why do you think people hate capitalism so much? We are tired of class divisions. Envy tends to make everyone worse off.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:14:43 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293166

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>>293165

>**That is not an irrelevant question; it's a question that is obviously very significant.**

In context "liberal" more or less meant "democrat".

>**Envy tends to make everyone worse off.**

It does, and socialism is driven by envy. There is no other reason. Almost everyone is worse off under the welfare state.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:21:38 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293167

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>>293166

>**In context "liberal" more or less meant "democrat".**

>**It does, and socialism is driven by envy. There is no other reason. Almost everyone is worse off under the welfare state.**

Oh man, this is so funny.

Please tell me you're part of a Chasity club and go to Church every Sunday? That would make you the ultimate fucking American Christian cancer.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:22:44 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293169

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>>293167

Keep baawing.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:24:33 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293171

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>>293166

I don't think you understand how awful it is in America then. The rich have more than enough to offer. It becomes a platitude but capitalism ignores this, so capitalism becomes unacceptable. I am not huge on socialism because I am still studying different types of political-economic structures.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:25:57 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293173

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>>293169

I'm not bawwing... I'm not desperately trying to convince people of my idiot right-wing conspiracy American Fox News bullshit.

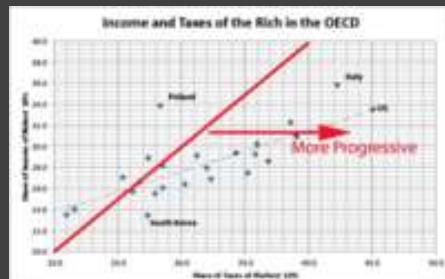
I'm not cowering before powerless poor Muslims who have ZERO political power.

I have no political issues I care about beyond "Legalize muh drugs." and "Keep the US of Cancer out of my HDD!" Because I live in a country with hardly any political issues beyond Christian cocksuckers ruining the road towards legalization.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:28:39 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293175

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>>293171

>**I don't think you understand how awful it is in America then. The rich have more than enough to offer.**

The US' low spending level actually allows it have more progressive taxes.

The higher spending is, the lower tax progressivity can be, because beyond a certain point it's impossible to fund the welfare state by taxing the "rich" alone.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:30:42 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293177

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>>293173

>**I have no political issues I care about beyond "Legalize muh drugs."**

Then I support you and we don't have a disagreement.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:30:43 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293178

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>>293175

>**the US taxation system is aside from underdeveloped countries and dictatorships the only country where the poor pay more taxes relatively than the rich**

Fuck off.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:30:57 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293179

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>>293175

Who said anybody was taxing the rich 'alone'?

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:32:58 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293180

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>>293177

In my OWN country.

In the USA... the USA just needs to be BURNED TO THE GROUND and rebuild. Because the USA... it's sick at the core.

Rich get richer, poor get poorer. Science is dead. The government doesn't give a fuck about privacy. People kill without any kind of prosecution, while accidental manslaughter lands people in death row.

The USA is sick. Fucking sick. The only thing that holds the USA together is their WW2 heritage.

HUGE FUCKING INDUSTRIES.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:34:11 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293182

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>>293178

>**Fuck off.**



>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:40:11 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293192

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>>293188

>**Yeah I'm getting tired of troll ass. Death to America you stinky son of a bitch.**

Why do you refuse to present any kind of argument? Why don't you just accept that socialism doesn't work?

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:40:22 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293193

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>>293130

>>**I don't know how people make ends meet over there.**

Easy, we pay a fraction for education and healthcare.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:42:28 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293195

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>>293192

Refuse to present? Fuck you for not listening then. Your fucking bar-graphs haven't done very well either, all you've done is show that your argument amounts to nothing more than equating socialism to a welfare state.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:42:59 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293196

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>>293190

So what the fuck is that supposed to show?

It says nothing about the differences between the taxes of the rich and poor, you dumb fucking cunt!

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:45:36 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293199

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>>293192

>**Why don't you just accept that socialism doesn't work?**

Because you're like a schizophrenic on /tinfoil/ posting images of frisbees and asking people why they won't believe in aliens.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:45:38 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293200

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>>293195

>**Refuse to present? Fuck you for not listening then.**

I listened, you failed to make a point or weren't interested in justifying the welfare state. Of course if you're going to go all "no true scotsman" and not accept any actual examples of socialism then that's that.

>**It says nothing about the differences between the taxes of the rich and poor, you dumb fucking cunt!**

Yeah, it just shows that the US tax system is progressive.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:46:39 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293201

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>>293200

Maybe for American websites, but here in Europe, the American tax system isn't progressive.

It's a Third-World system.

The richer you are, the less taxes you pay.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:48:36 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293203

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>>293201

If your word salad was more coherent I would respond to it.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:51:14 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293204

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>>293203

>if i knew what you were talking about - i'd still fuck up the answer

That's Sidney Tillingham like we know him.

A boneheaded American who sucks Republican Jesus dick with a brain full of concrete.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:53:30 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293207

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>>293204

I actually dont do any of those things so no.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:55:54 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293209

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>>293207

Yesss you do. It's okay, we pretty much know at this point.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:56:07 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293210

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>>293207

>I actually dont do any of those things so no.

Come on kid. Don't say that shit.

It makes you sound like that autist from /qq/.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 15:57:57 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293212

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So basically, nobody is going to defend the welfare state? We all agree that it sucks and market systems are way better?

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:00:17 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293215

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>>293212

Why bother defending the welfare state when it's obvious the welfare state is being attacked by a 15-year old Jesus fanboy from Missouri.

Oh the TERROR! DUTCH BROTHERS PRESERVE US!

A fucking cocksucking faggot who believes that the world is 6000 years old is bashing the way my country works.

The horror.

>**oh wait, smoke weed everyday - /care**

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:02:28 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293217

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>>293215

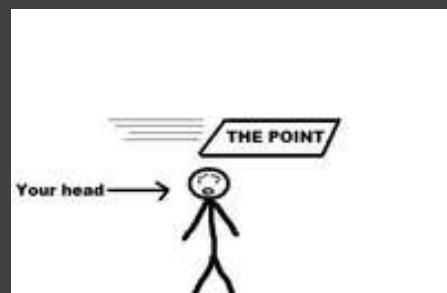
>**Why bother defending the welfare state**

Because there are people who actually, like, think it works.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:06:23 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293219

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>>293217

Oh man, why do you have so many problems understanding English?

Surely you must be some fucking retard from the Southern states, or a fucking cornhead from the Mid-West.

Or even better. A fucking sun-bleached sand-brained Californian cunt.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:06:59 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293220

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>>293212

Your assumptions are bullshit. Poor people in Europe live way better than poor people in the US. I was pretty shocked when I saw a ghetto home with walls that looked like they hadn't been painted in years and a kitchen that was just a stove and a couple of pots in an otherwise empty room.

ITT: a bunch of people spewing bullshit.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:08:43 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293221

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>>293212

You do realize that pretty much all countries in Europe have a market system AND a welfare state, right? Right...!?

>> Basil Senningspear - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:09:29 EST ID:kzWAYJJW No.293222

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>>293212>>293212

The welfare state attempts to remedy the symptoms of Capitalism.

If you had a goldfish in a bowl and the goldfish became sick because its water was dirty, what would you do? Would you give the gold-fish medicine or would you change the water?

Liberals will say "Give it medicine!", Leftists will say "Change the water!". Capitalism is the dirty water, making the fish sick.



With that being said, with the obliteration of Capitalism not yet on the horizon, is it wrong to ease the suffering? If you cannot change the water of the fish immediately, is it wrong to give him medicine in the meantime, until you can change the water? I don't think so. Humanity and compassion should remain intact during the transition from one system over to another.

Anyways...

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>not having /pol/ user EAWTVEt3 ignored

>what am i doing

You're daft, dense, and displeasurable.

>> Sidney Tillingham - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:09:40 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293223

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>>293220

>Your assumptions are bullshit. Poor people in Europe live way better than poor people in the US. I was pretty shocked when I saw a ghetto home with walls that looked like they hadn't been painted in years

The government doesn't force people to maintain their own homes either.

> and a kitchen that was just a stove and a couple of pots in an otherwise empty room.

You basically described a typical apartment in Germany. The difference is that the appliances don't always work.

>> Sidney Tillingham - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:10:54 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293224

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>>293222

>The welfare state attempts to remedy the symptoms of Capitalism.

And it ends up inflicting those "symptoms" on everyone.

>You do realize that pretty much all countries in Europe have a market system AND a welfare state, right? Right...!?

Yes, there's a difference between the free market model and the welfare model.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:29:00 EST ID:2fotypt No.293225   Quick Reply

>>293224

>And it ends up inflicting those "symptoms" on everyone.

SO FUCKING WHAT?

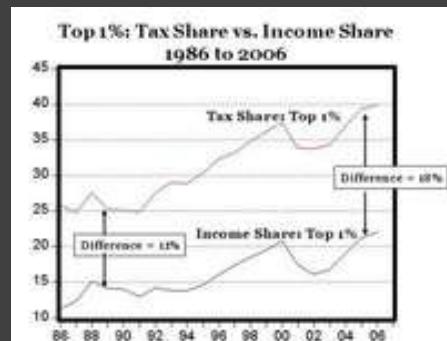
Rich people are swimming in so much money, they don't fucking feel it.

If someone is whining about how they pay too much taxes, they're not rich.

They're fucking pussyass middleclass faggots acting rich.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:32:56 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293226   Quick Reply

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>>293225

>They're fucking pussyass middleclass faggots acting rich.

But we've already established that it's mathematically impossible to fund the welfare state by taxing the rich.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:37:18 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293227   Quick Reply

>>293223

Yea, except that I've been living here for 20+ years and have NEVER seen that. Not even with immigrants on welfare, or students, or whatever. Apartments usually come with a working kitchen and you're supposed to bring the rest, which most people can afford. Renting places without furniture is a cultural thing, not a poverty issue. We just like to bring our own stuff.

I live in partially subsidized housing because I'm -really- low income. This is literally one of the cheapest places you can live in in my city. It came with a new kitchen and stove, we brought the washing machine and the dishwasher. There's dryers and washing machines in the basement that everyone can use, but it's more convenient to have your own washing machine. I have a shiny new gaming computer with cheap high-speed internet access. The only thing missing is a car. But I doubt I could afford that in the US while in college and working a part-time job and public transportation gets me places. My income is around 600 euros/month, I have all my needs taken care of (including health insurance) and I'm going to finish my degree without significant debt.

I'm poor as fuck by income but still live way better than poor Americans. Not having a car and living in a relatively small place sounds a shitload better than no

health insurance, no college education and working two minimum wage jobs so you can afford a large wooden hut that'll fall down the next time there's a minor natural desaster. No thanks.

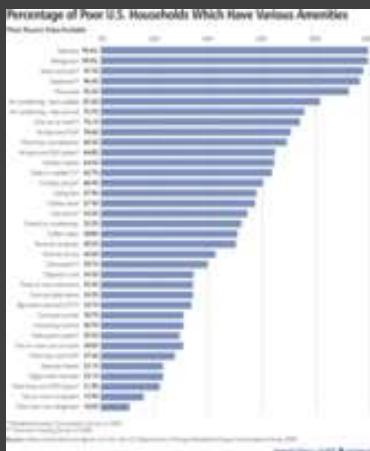
>>**The government doesn't force people to maintain their own homes either.**

Yea, that was a rented apartment, not something they owned. I have literally never seen such a shitty place to live before. Well, maybe in documentaries from third-world countries.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:39:04 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293228

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>>293227

>**I'm poor as fuck by income but still live way better than poor Americans.**

I doubt it.

>> **Eliza Pinderstark** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:41:15 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293229

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>>293225

At least you admit that all that socialist rubbish is just an excuse for you to get more money yourself by taking it from the rich.

(But don't forget to negate the human nature argument even as you so clearly exhibit its traits yourself)

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:41:35 EST ID:2fotypt No.293230

Quick Reply

>>293226

Of course not. Most of the money will come from the middle-class!

And guess what! Since you have a welfare state, a huge amount of (what in America would be) poor people end up becoming middle-class people!

And this is the secret of the welfare state.

It shoves poor people out of low-class economy, and pushes them into middle-class economy.

Over the years, a welfare state will increase the amount of middle-class people.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:41:50 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293231

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>>293224

Your argument is advantageous for a specific audience (people who aren't fucking poor) while the counter-argument is aimed at helping everybody. Even if you think it makes things worse your only really referring to a select few in the economy who aren't already suffering at it is.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:42:28 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293232

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>>293231

>**Your argument is advantageous for a specific audience (people who aren't fucking poor) while the counter-argument is aimed at helping everybody.**

Other way around, everyone is worse off under the welfare state.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:42:28 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293233

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>>293228

Goddamn why are you so autistic?

A checklist of material items doesn't mean shit.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:43:01 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293234

Quick Reply

>>293233

>**A checklist of material items doesn't mean shit.**

It means that 90+% of American poor people have more goods than the typical European.

>> **Nigger Bovington** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:45:57 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293235

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>>293232

Did you read the only other sentence in that statement? This response says otherwise. Tsk. Tsk.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:46:00 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293236

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>>293229

OF COURSE, THAT'S THE WHOLE FUCKING POINT OF REDISTRIBUTION OF INCOME, YOU DUMB FUCKING CUNT!

Richer people put a little money in the government, the government gives it to the poor people, poor people have some pocket money to buy more shit, that money goes back in the economy... and look!

Look how much richer the European welfare states are compared to the USA!

We got glass fiber cable internet all over the Netherlands man. Try to get that in Buttfuck, Mississippi.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:47:22 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293238

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>>293235

He doesn't have a microwave or television. Or even a phone.

>> **Clara Lightford** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:47:37 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293239

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>>293234

No.

It just means you're a fucking retarded bonehead and you can't read graphs.

As expected. I guess you're one of those dumbfucks who got "Left Behind" by G.W.B.

>> **Sidney Tillingham** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:48:18 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293240

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>>293236

>**We got glass fiber cable internet all over the Netherlands man. Try to get that in Buttfuck, Mississippi.**

Sure

<http://www.americaconnects.net/fiber-optic-internet/mississippi/>

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:48:19 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293241

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>>293228

Half of them had no computer in 2005. Not even a shitty Pentium II running windows 98 and shared by the entire family, nothing. Almost half didn't have a cellphone. WTF are you talking about?

>> **Eliza Pinderstark** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:52:39 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293243

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>>293236

>**Look how much richer the european welfare states are than the USA!**

List of countries by GDP in millions of USD:

1. USA (15,000,000)
2. China (7,500,000)
3. Japan (5,800,000)

Which one of the three is a welfare state?

>**We got glass fiber cable all over Netherlands**

Because fiber costs are proportional to distance and there are single states in the USA five times as big as fucking Netherlands.

>> **Phoebe Simmlehack** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 16:55:18 EST ID:pkND5nFI No.293244

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So in other words, poor in America is normal in Europe?

[http://www.nationmaster.com/graph/med\\_per\\_com\\_percap-media-personal-computers-per-capita](http://www.nationmaster.com/graph/med_per_com_percap-media-personal-computers-per-capita)

>Germany

>545 computers/1000 people

>> **Phoebe Simmlehack** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 17:09:54 EST ID:pkND5nFI No.293246

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And note that figure is just the penetration rate (stock computers per population), the ownership rate is necessarily lower.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 17:30:52 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293248

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A house-hold isn't a person, try again.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 17:38:31 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293249

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>>293248  
>A house-hold isn't a person, try again.  
Say that again  
<http://www.iseec.org/publications/factbook/2004161m9.pdf>  
>Households with access to home computers and the internet  
>Germany  
>Percentage of households with access to a home computer  
>58  
>Percentage of households with access to the internet  
>48

It's frogblasting me

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 17:44:25 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293252

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>A house-hold isn't a person, try again.

In any case the household ownership figures are no higher. Germans really are that poor.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 17:55:57 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293257

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Your sauce is typing things out by yourself? Looks like someone assumed that all Germans who own a computer also live on their own. That's the only way those numbers match up.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:00:02 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293260

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Actual figures from survey - 2005, 68 %.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:02:53 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293262

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>stats

But those are from a later year, if we're going to use those we have to find newer figures for the US as well.

Suffice to say that Euros still live in tiny houses and "population density" has little to do with it.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:08:19 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293264

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>>293262

New Yorkers also live in tiny apartments. Those people must be poor as fuck!

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:10:19 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293265

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>**New Yorkers also live in tiny apartments. Those people must be poor as fuck!**

Does Europe have the population density of New York? No.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:14:43 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293268

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>>293262

You never even posted household figures for the US from that year. Your 'household figure' for Germany happens to match the per person rate exactly, which makes me think it's just the per person rate.

I'd like to see post-economic crisis rates, too. Buying new shit on credit doesn't make you rich, especially not if the economy crashes as a result a year later.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:17:42 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293269

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>>293265

Do we have the tiny New York apartments? No.

People in rural areas own houses. People in cities where there is a very high population density live in flats more. Some people still own houses in the city.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:18:14 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293270

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>**I'd like to see post-economic crisis rates, too.**

I don't know where to find appliance rates for that. But for housing, they're bigger than pre-crisis homes.

<http://news.heartland.org/newspaper-article/2013/06/19/median-house-size-us-hits-record-high>

here have been numerous press reports about the expansion of micro housing, and expectations that Americans will be reducing the size of their houses. As the nation trepidatiously seeks to emerge from the deepest economic decline since the 1930s, normalcy seems to be returning to house sizes.

According to the latest new single-family house size data from the U.S. Census Bureau, the median house size rose to an all-time record of 2,306 square feet in 2012. This is slightly above the 2,277 square feet median that was reached at the height of the housing bubble in 2007. The average new house size (2,505 square feet) remains slightly below the 2007 peak of 2,521 square feet.

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**William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:20:16 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293271

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>**People in rural areas own houses. People in cities where there is a very high population density live in flats more. Some people still own houses in the city.**

What's your point exactly? Even the low density parts of Europe are just as awful.

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**Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:25:48 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293272

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>>293269

Ok, ok, so

if a home has two floors, it is not really a "flat".

Agree or disagree?

I eagerly await anyone's reply.

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**William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:26:21 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293273

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I'd agree. What else?

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**Ian Niggerfoot** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:37:58 EST ID:hINvhAnt No.293275

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>**using a straw man argument to prove your flimsy argument**

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**William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:40:30 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293276

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Actually it's a pretty solid argument, there's been a lot of passive aggressive sniveling but few serious attempts to even respond to it.

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**Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:45:08 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293278

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>>293271

House size shrinks with population density. Germany is somewhere between New York and the rest of the US for both.

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**William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:47:30 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293279

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>**House size shrinks with population density. Germany is somewhere between New York and the rest of the US for both.**

Not particularly, the low density parts of Europe have just slightly less shitty houses. We've gone over this four or five times.

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**Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:53:35 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293281

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>>293279

Are "shitty" and "small" synonymous, when it comes to housing?

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 18:55:16 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293283

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No idea.

Anything else?

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:01:24 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293286

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>>293279

I'm fairly sure that more rural areas don't do apartments. It's pretty much all larger houses. Are you pulling this out of your ass? Americans live in what's basically wooden sheds, there's a reason why houses in Europe are so expensive - BETTER quality, durability, energy efficiency and so forth. And they don't burn down whenever someone thinks it'd be fun to light the tap water on fire.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:08:48 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293287

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>**Americans live in what's basically wooden sheds,**

I can tell you for certain that's not true.

If you want to base this on a metric like sanitation then virtually everyone in the US lives in an equipped home.

[http://www.worldwater.org/datav7/data\\_table\\_4\\_access\\_to\\_sanitation\\_by\\_country.pdf](http://www.worldwater.org/datav7/data_table_4_access_to_sanitation_by_country.pdf)

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:09:45 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293288

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The durability, energy efficiency, etc, may be better in Europe but Americans simply don't care.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:19:12 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293289

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>>293287

Wooden sheds with plumbing, electricity and all the things you need. Okay. The key word here is wooden. Bricks or concrete are better in pretty much every aspect, but also more expensive. Inferior but cheaper material -> people can afford to build larger houses for the same amount of money, with quality (resistance to the elements, durability, insulation) as a tradeoff.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:22:20 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293290

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>>293288

Which seems rather stupid considering the frequency of major storms.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:23:22 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293291

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>**with quality (resistance to the elements, durability, insulation) as a tradeoff.**

Again, Americans don't care about sustainability. While the average European sticks with their car for ten years, Americans go through cars like tissue paper. Product durability only matters if you can't afford new ones.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:28:35 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293294    Quick Reply

>>293291

Yea, fuck those people for not trying to boil and drown the rest of the world population.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:36:05 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293296    Quick Reply

Basically, the welfare state is a good idea if you think a massive reduction in quality of life is justified to "save the environment" or whatever.

>> **John Goodgold** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:44:24 EST ID:ErnNrFh7 No.293297    Quick Reply

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umm... a) europe is not socialist. b) the floorspace of houses is a pretty dumb argument for wealth when it was so recently what fucked over the global economy. c) european countries are very different from one another (which is the reason the euro is a clusterfuck) d) americans often live worse than their counterparts in some european countries. e) when comparing wealth expenditure must be taken into account. the wage received in a welfare state need not be used for a college fund, retirement or medical insurance as well as other things e.g. public transport. f) the economies of some welfare states outperform that of the usa, not all welfare states are greece.

now everyone calm the fuck down and stop this interatlantic flamewar.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:47:00 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293298    Quick Reply

>>293296

We've been over this, house size is not a great indicator of quality of life. New Yorker's don't have a shitty quality of life because they have small homes, and neither do Europeans.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:48:23 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293299    Quick Reply

**>b) the floorspace of houses is a pretty dumb argument for wealth when it was so recently what fucked over the global economy.**

So you're saying dinky houses are a good thing?

>> **Sidney Noffingspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:49:14 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293300    Quick Reply

>>293299

>dinky

<http://www.theonion.com/articles/familys-euphemism-for-genitals-really-weird,32613/>

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:49:18 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293301    Quick Reply

>We've been over this, house size is not a great indicator of quality of life.

That's still no argument for the welfare state if it plunges everyone below what would be considered a poverty standard of living in the US.

>> **John Goodgold** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:49:55 EST ID:ErnNrFh7 No.293302   Quick Reply

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>>293131

i also had to post this. ive been to venice and walked around in the palace. i woulndent be able to sleep if i didnt.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:51:13 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293303   Quick Reply

>i also had to post this. ive been to venice and walked around in the palace. i woulndent be able to sleep if i didnt.

Europe does have culture, I'll give you that. It's a shame it's so poor.

>> **Barnaby Fublingdale** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:54:46 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293304   Quick Reply

>>293296

>>I'd rather have my house burn down or have it fly away during the next storm than skip an opportunity to screw everyone else.

And you keep wondering why the rest of the world thinks you're a nation of assholes.

>> **William Clayspear** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 19:57:05 EST ID:0h6up1vp No.293305   Quick Reply

>And you keep wondering why the rest of the world thinks you're a nation of assholes.

Was that an sarcasm? Because, like, it's not like the Wizard of Oz over here 24/7.

>> **Nathaniel Sepperwell** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 20:15:55 EST ID:eSp7Nu+y No.293306   Quick Reply

>180 - odd posts

Well,i think we can all agree OP was successful considering this thread was made 2 days ago.

>> **Henry Shittingbury** - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 20:16:35 EST ID:ErnNrFh7 No.293307   Quick Reply

>>293299

im not entirely sure what you mean but lending money to people who cant repay it is a very bad way to run an economy.

>>293301

>**That's still no argument for the welfare state if it plunges everyone below what would be considered a poverty standard of living in the US.**

the idea being that it dosent. if you add what is payed for by the welfare state you would see a much higher income. similarly if you subtract what the government would cover in certain welfare states from the average american paycheck you would find that the poor of e.g. sweden could by more hamburgers than the lower middle class of the usa.

>> Cornelius Clayworth - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 20:16:58 EST ID:Sge+v9HI No.293308

Quick Reply

>>293301

>**That's still no argument for the welfare state if it plunges everyone below what would be considered a poverty standard of living in the US.**

That's a pretty big leap from "uh' houses are bigger". Rich people still own villas, private planes, fancy vacation homes and go golfing. Middle-class people buy a nice car, or a boat, or a motorcycle, or a second house or whatever. People on welfare still buy flatscreen TVs, but they don't become homeless as often. Where's that massive poverty or lack of quality of life you're talking about?

>> Fanny Chebberford - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 20:20:47 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293309

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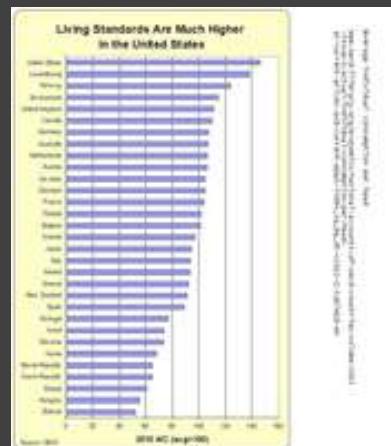
>**Where's that massive poverty or lack of quality of life you're talking about?**

Housing and cars, mostly.

>> Fanny Chebberford - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 20:28:20 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293310

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>> Sophie Pickman - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 22:27:06 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293317

Quick Reply

>>293310

wow "consumption", what a great way to label your axis

>> Fanny Chebberford - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 22:41:49 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293318

Quick Reply

It describes it in the link. Actual individual consumption per head.

>> Sophie Pickman - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 23:23:43 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293320 Quick Reply

>>293318

but "consumption" doesn't mean anything.

>> Wesley Gishchit - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 23:47:05 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293323 Quick Reply

>>293320

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Consumption\\_\(economics\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Consumption_(economics))

>> Sophie Pickman - Sun, 23 Jun 2013 23:51:01 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293324 Quick Reply

>>293323

and is the graph mean or median "consumption"?

>> Nicholas Pittbanks - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 10:30:29 EST ID:pkND5nFI No.293340 Quick Reply

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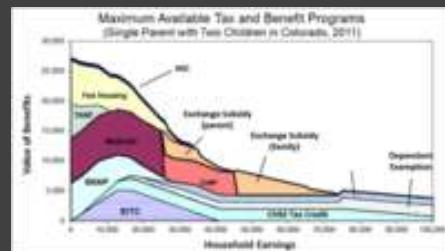


>> Fanny Chebberford - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 10:57:14 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293342 Quick Reply

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<http://www.oecdbetterlifeindex.org/countries/sweden/>

" the average household net-adjusted disposable income (in Sweden) is 26 242 USD"



The average American can make about \$27,000 a year on welfare, which is already greater than the *household income* of the average person in Sweden. Although America spends a lower fraction of its economy on welfare, this comes out to more overall spending because it has a stronger economy.

>> Albert Pickfuck - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 11:54:13 EST ID:HtqAFntT No.293345 Quick Reply

>>293342

You are aware of the difference between disposable income and net income, right? \$27,000/yr net income is not even close to \$27,000 of disposable income.

>> Emma Croffingfure - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:01:30 EST ID:3h/o39hz No.293347 Quick Reply

**>You are aware of the difference between disposable income and net income, right? \$27,000/yr net income is not even close to \$27,000 of disposable income.**

In the U.S it is. Below the middle bracket you pay basically no tax.

Doesn't change the point anyway, poverty in the U.S = well off anywhere else.

>> **Emma Croffingfure** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:02:18 EST ID:3h/o39hz No.293348

Quick Reply

Also, lol @ mods frogblasting the thread and making it impossible to post.

>> **Albert Pickfuck** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:11:07 EST ID:HtqAFntT No.293349

Quick Reply

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>>293347

Disposable income has almost nothing to do with tax. It's what's left over after you pay for essentials (housing and grocery under most systems, some US stats also include transportation). Most Americans pay 35-50% of their income for housing alone, and another 15%+ for food. Even if we take the stats at the lowest end, that's still only half as much disposable income than the Swedish statistic, and in most cases, several thousand dollars less. Net income and disposable income is an apples-to-oranges comparison.

>> **Emma Croffingfure** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:12:33 EST ID:3h/o39hz No.293350

Quick Reply

>**Disposable income has almost nothing to do with tax. It's what's left over after you pay for essentials**

You have absolutely no idea what you're talking about.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disposable\\_and\\_discretionary\\_income](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disposable_and_discretionary_income)

Disposable income is total personal income minus personal current taxes.

>> **Angus Senkinstag** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:21:11 EST ID:txzXKTqE No.293351

Quick Reply

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>>293350

>**mfw americans think money you have to spend to live counts as disposable**

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:27:33 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293352

Quick Reply

>>293351

So what's your point? The average (let alone median) income in Sweden is slightly above severe poverty in the US?

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:28:58 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293353    Quick Reply

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>>293347

>**Doesn't change the point anyway, poverty in the US = well off anywhere else.**

>**Doesn't change the point anyway, education in the US = total retardation.**

That's what I get from your post, and pretty much every post by Americans in this thread.

Holy fucking shit, do they even teach you kids economics in highschool or is it just all "COMMUNISM IS EVIL! EUROPE IS COMMUNIST! EUROPE IS EVIL! EUROPE HATES JEBUS!" propaganda stamping?

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:30:48 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293354    Quick Reply

>>293353

It's really amazing how set your beliefs are. Even when the welfare state completely fails on every conceivable metric you still support it.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:31:16 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293355    Quick Reply

>>293352

No.

EVERY level of income in Sweden is above a similar income in the USA, aside for the super-rich.

And even that's negligible because the super-rich are already rich.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:31:54 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293356    Quick Reply

>>293355

>**EVERY level of income in Sweden is above a similar income in the USA, aside for the super-rich.**

Well don't just say it, present evidence.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:33:54 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293357    Quick Reply

>>293354

Explain how the welfare state fails?

The only reason the welfare state is in trouble in the first place is because American cocksucking faggotshits managed to fuck up the world economy.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:35:05 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293358

Quick Reply

>>293357

>Explain how the welfare state fails?

>>292933 (OP)

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:35:09 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293359

Quick Reply

>>293356

If you can dig up my old economy schoolbooks, I'll show you.

In Dutch highschool, you actually have to dissect America's economy, as well as that of every big economy on the world.

And you guys like to think you're rich... you're not.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:36:12 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293360

Quick Reply

>>293359

>And you guys like to think you're rich... you're not.

Keep telling yourself that. Anything you'd like to contribute?

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:36:46 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293361

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>>293358

>the welfare state fails because an undeveloped shit country that's mostly desert has cheaper land than a country that has been developed for thousands of years

Great job! You convinced me!

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:38:43 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293362

Quick Reply

>>293361

>Great job! You convinced me!

Again, if they've been developed for thousands of years, they should be good at building non-shit houses.

Even US inner city apartments are over 1000 sq ft.

>> Wesley Gishchit - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:41:25 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293363

Quick Reply

>>293357

>Explain how the welfare state fails?

Same class gets less of quality of life in an European welfare state than in USA more straight-up capitalist one.

Despite the fact that the whole and only point of a welfare state is to give the lowest classes better quality of life...

You can't beat numbers. One minus one is always zero. Europe spends billions to just straight give out money to the poor, who "waste" it. USA uses the same billions to provide people with ideas or initiatives to start their own businesses instead. They start their own businesses, the businesses turn the money into more money, the entire country gets richer and as such even the lowest classes benefit by proxy.

As evidenced by multiple links, charts in this thread that you're going to ignore, just like this post, because it doesn't fit your neat little denialist worldview.

>> Basil Clommerway - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:41:56 EST ID:Hcy7h8iN No.293364

Quick Reply

>>293362

You wish.

>> Molly Buffingmot - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:43:03 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293365

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>>293362

Goddamn you're so dumb.

>Again, if they've been developed for thousands of years, they should be good at building non-shit houses.

You go build a European style house in Tornado Country.

That house will stand there for hundreds of years.

American style houses are cheap pieces of weak shit.

>Even US inner city apartments are over 1000 sq ft.

no one cares about.

That's why land is cheap.

Go buy an apartment in Manhattan and tell me you get 1000 sq ft. Because Manhattan is the only piece of the USA that's valuable.

>> Fanny Chebberford - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:48:02 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293367

Quick Reply

>>293365

>American style houses are cheap pieces of weak shit.

Oh yeah, that's why millions of Europeans immigrated to the US and basically created the country.

>Because land is cheap in the USA, because there's no infrastructure. It's a fucking cheap wasteland no one cares about.

It's cheap because the real estate market is more efficient.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Housing\\_quality\\_and\\_health\\_outcomes\\_in\\_the\\_United\\_States](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Housing_quality_and_health_outcomes_in_the_United_States)

Housing quality has greatly improved since the beginning of the 20th century. However, today close to 6 million Americans live in severe or moderate housing conditions.

>2% of US population in crappy houses

[http://www.habitants.org/news/inhabitants\\_of\\_europe/the\\_figures\\_behind\\_poor\\_housing\\_conditions](http://www.habitants.org/news/inhabitants_of_europe/the_figures_behind_poor_housing_conditions)

In 2009, there are 3.5 million people in France who are either homeless or poorly housed. In addition to this figure, there are over 6.5 million people living in fragile short or mid-term housing situations.

>SIXTEEN PERCENT of France in shitty houses

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:48:16 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293369

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>>293363

>Europe spends billions to just straight give out money to the poor, who "waste" it.

Yeah, they waste their money on products. They waste their money by spending money in the economy.

They spend that money on products produced by people with ideas and their own businesses. Those businesses turn that money into more money, the country gets richer, and the poor people can get more money from the government to put into the economy and the companies will get more money from the poor people, and they'll pay taxes and the government will give more money to the poor people and they'll pay for more goods and services and companies will get more money...

You write like you think poor people are putting their money in a sock, and bury it.

Not that odd, since you're probably a faggot wannabe-middleclass white suburban faggot afraid of being poor and trained by a pathetic schooling system to fear the poor.

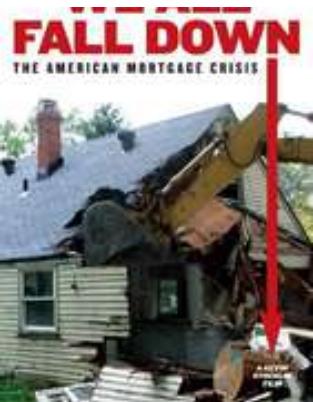
>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:49:53 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293370

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>>293367



>It's cheap because the real estate market is more efficient.

Oh really?

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:51:33 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293372

Quick Reply

>>293364

<http://www.apartmenttherapy.com/living-in-the-most-expensive-cities-how-long-can-we-keep-this-up-177255>

Check it out for yourself. The most expensive urban areas in the US cost like \$120K per apartment, which is like the cost of a normal house in Germany.

>> **Wesley Gishchit** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:54:01 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293373

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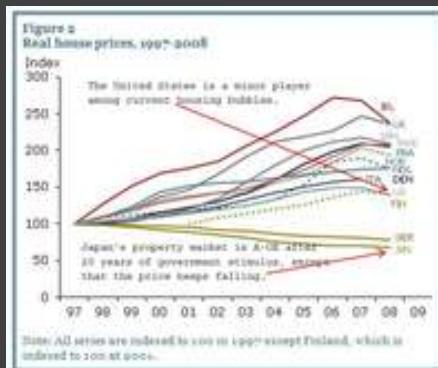
>>293369

Yes. People who need welfare are well known for their spending power.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 12:54:03 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293374

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>>293370

The US housing bubble was relatively mild. Germany was the only one that didn't crash, because it's still building up.

<http://www.npr.org/2013/01/05/168617178/germanys-housing-market-is-hot-is-it-overheating>

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:03:05 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293375

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>>293373

Yes. The Dutch CPB actually notices that when the government cuts social programs it has a negative effect on the economy. Poor people have spending power.

>>293372

You're comparing an entire city to Manhattan... the center of the world. Fuck, how the fuck can you be so fucking dense you fucking retard?

>>293374

>**The US housing bubble was relatively mild.**

Tell that to the American economy, hahahahaha.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:03:59 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293376

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>>293375

>**Yes. The Dutch CPB actually notices that when the government cuts social programs it has a negative effect on the economy. Poor people have spending power.**

Well how has that been working out for them? Have they stopped living in mickey mouse houses yet?

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:12:38 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293378

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>>293376

Who gives a shit about housing?

Fuck that shit. Only an idiot cares about how big a house gets. What's important is a growing economy, increasing healthcare, a population that gets smarter every year, a technological and scientific society that's at the forefront of research and discovery, an infrastructure that keeps growing... that's important. The size of a house... no one cares how big your house is.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:17:06 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293379

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Who wants to finish this thread? We have like 3 posts left.

>**What's is important is a growing economy,**

US has been growing faster than Europe since forever

> **increasing healthcare,**

Again blacks in the US have better survival for all types of cancer than the average person in any European country, also the US has longer natural life expectancy than any European country

>**a population that gets smarter every year,**

Broken down by ethnic group US outscores the rest of the OECD

> a technological and scientific society that's at the forefront of research and discovery,

The US invented virtually all modern technology

>an infrastructure that keeps growing... that's important.

The US has more roads per capita than any European country

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:19:58 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293380

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>>293379

>US has been growing faster than Europe since forever

But not in terms of long-term growth. It's all just short-term growth. (Move the jobs to China muh boi!)

>Again blacks in the US have better survival for all types of cancer than the average person in any European country, also the US has longer natural life expectancy than any European country

>Broken down by ethnic group US outscores the rest of the OECD

HAHAHAHAHAH! Kiddos believe the darnest things.

>The US invented virtually all modern technology

And they stopped inventing and discovering big new shit ever since the Cold War ended.

>The US has more roads per capita than any European country

Roads are only a tiny insignificant part of infrastructure.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:22:43 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293381

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>>293380

>But not in terms of long-term growth. It's all just short-term growth. (Move the jobs to China muh boi!)

That's because Americans are literally too rich to give a fuck.

>Roads are only a tiny insignificant part of infrastructure.

Rails, airports, waterways- it's probably the same story.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:23:26 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293382

Quick Reply

>>293381

>Rails, airports, waterways- it's probably the same story.

You're like running 100 years behind on the world bruv.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:24:23 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293383

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>>293382

>You're like running 100 years behind on the world bruv.

Probably posted from a Windows 98.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:28:21 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293384

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>>293383

Internet, universities, particle accelerators, high-tech industry, observatories, genetic engineering, stem cell research, that's the infrastructure that's important tomorrow.

And the USA is still pumping out cars and phones.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:29:24 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293385

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>>293384

>Internet, universities, particle accelerators, high-tech industry, observatories, genetic engineering, stem cell research, that's the infrastructure that's important tomorrow.

Aaaand the US virtually created all those fields (with a brief period in the 2000s where stem cell research was banned) so whats your point?

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:31:29 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293386

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>>293385

In case you haven't been paying attention to scientific politics in the USA, but scientific progress is being hindered hardcore.

If something doesn't change fast, the USA won't be at the forefront of science anymore.

It has already happened. The USA is running behind hardcore in physics.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:32:32 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293387

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>>293386

And let's not forget the hindrances in genetics/biology, and the fact that 40% of Americans believes in the literal Bible.

The USA is sinking away in the same swamp that killed the Muslim civilisation in the Dark Ages.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:32:44 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293388   Quick Reply

>>293386

>It has already happened. The USA is running behind hardcore in physics.

No it just funds activities in other countries. The US is the major funder for the LHC.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:37:58 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293389   Quick Reply

>>293388

You don't get it.

It's not about the money.

It's about who does it. Kids in primary school in Europe hear about the LHC, and they will want to become scientists.

Kids in the USA learn about the LHC in highschool and don't give a shit.

If that thing was in the USA, Americans would be proud of it.

It's not about spending money in science, it's about PEOPLE STUDYING SCIENCE!

The amount of Americans studying sciences is dropping, they're all doing Liberal Arts or Economy bullshit. The only reason why Silicon Valley hasn't collapsed is because the USA imports smart people from the underdeveloped countries.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:39:10 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293390   Quick Reply

>>293389

>The amount of Americans studying sciences is dropping, they're all doing Liberal Arts or Economy bullshit.

This is actually true. I mean the US still produces more scientists than any other country, but the liberals are trying to change that.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:41:50 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293391   Quick Reply

>>293390

You mean the cocksucking fucking rightwing Fox-News Teabarf loving conservative faggot-for-Jesus Christian cancer are trying to change that.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:44:40 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293392   Quick Reply

Nope. As I always say, the space program was cannibalized to pay for welfare and the War On Poverty.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:45:39 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293393   Quick Reply

>>293392

You call that welfare.

But it's not welfare. It doesn't help the poor people. It's not welfare. It's a political crutch.

>> **Wesley Gishchit** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:47:03 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293394

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>>293389

Kids will watch Naruto and will want to be ninjas.

Jesus, really? You think that's how scientists are made? By having kids visit the local Museum of Science?

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:47:18 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293395

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>>293393

>**But it's not welfare. It doesn't help the poor people. It's not welfare. It's a political crutch.**

Same with all socialist policies really.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:47:48 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293396

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>>293392

Also, how the fuck do you not see that the conservative fundamentalist Christians in the USA are pushing popculture and poppolitics away from science in some desperate last stand to preserve the pathetic idea of a God?

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:48:49 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293397

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>>293396

I don't even know what you're going on about anymore. Maybe you watched Jesus Camp and a few scare documentaries, but the US isn't some massive religious fundamentalist daycamp.

>> **Albert Pickfuck** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:50:09 EST ID:HtqAFntT No.293398

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>>293392

>**the space program was cannibalized to pay for welfare**

Source? NASA's implosion seems to have far more to due with terrible management and lack of direction than external funding.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:50:47 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293399

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>>293398

>**Source? NASA's implosion seems to have far more to due with terrible management and lack of direction than external funding.**

That was probably a factor too.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:51:49 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293400

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>>293397

>but the US isn't some massive religious fundamentalist daycamp.

40% OF AMERICANS BELIEVE THE BIBLE LITERALLY!

The USA IS some massive religious fundamentalist daycamp.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:52:39 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293401

Quick Reply

>>293400

>The USA IS some massive religious fundamentalist daycamp.

Really 2fot, take a vacation to Washington or Mount Rushmore or something. You won't get persecuted for heresy or whatever.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:54:33 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293402

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>>293401

40% OF AMERICANS BELIEVE THE BIBLE LITERALLY!

And that used to be LOWER!

The amount of fundamentalist Christians in the USA is GROOOOWING!

When my children are old, they'll talk about the USA like I talk about Afghanistan.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 13:56:13 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293403

Quick Reply

>>293402

I love your passion.

>> **Molly Buffingmot** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 14:01:49 EST ID:2fotylpt No.293405

Quick Reply

>>293403

Well, it's not a passion.

It's being realistic. Idiots run around being afraid of Muslims, while they don't see the fucking Christian fundamentalist with a pipebomb standing in front of them.

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 14:09:32 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293406

Quick Reply

>>293405

<http://ia601803.us.archive.org/5/items/1371924061012s/WhySocialismFailsAndCapitalismSucceeds-Politics-420chan.html>

For future reference this thread's archived. I might get around to adding back in the images, until then they're still with the upload.

>> Ernest Sendledack - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 14:10:26 EST ID: AQSyWKt0 No.293407

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>>293389

We have an LHC in the US, fucktard. It's actually at my campus at MSU.

>> Thomas Bubberstone - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 14:18:54 EST ID: KjCtlc+/ No.293408

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>>293407

You have a particle accelerator/cyclotron, but not the LHC. They're all over the place, really, and have been since the 30's. The LHC is special because it's so fucking huge, but Cern is not part of the US. Americans have never been very good at physics.

>> Fanny Chebberford - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 15:30:57 EST ID: EAWTVEt3 No.293411

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>>293408

> Americans have never been very good at physics.

If Americans "have never been good at physics", then who has been? Remember Einstein immigrated to the US because Europeans are nuts.

>> Nigel Drongefuck - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 17:11:32 EST ID: bRTm64eS No.293414

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Let me tell you guys, all of you, about the glory of the socialist/capitalist country of Denmark

> Virtually all houses are built in bricks with increasingly sharp rules on insulation to make us ever-the-more energy independent. This gives them durability (many many houses are older than 60 years, and can still be retrofitted with new types of insulation, windows, flooring, boiler upgrades or connections to remote warm water from the power-plants)

> Regardless of what illness you have, you will get help. Of course the system has flaws. Of course there are niche diseases that cannot be treated without bringing in private hospitals or a trip to China for new stem-cell tech and so on. While you are ill you will, to an extent, get disability money, especially if you are in a union, then you will get something close to a full salary for a couple of years.

> We have disability pensions, but too many have tried to leech off it and they have tightened the grip so it has become quite hard to leave the work-market compared to 5 years ago (as it should, keeping people working for longer is a good thing)

> Labour laws: our workers are much better protected, much happier, productive and last longer due to the welfare system as well as app 80-90% of the working force in unions, making sure it's the workers (consumers) who get the money and not so much the owners and leaders (although they still earn much more than a man on the floor)

> Free Education and financial support for said education up to and including 5 year university. With lots of state-paid PhD's as well

> The LEAST UNEQUAL COUNTRY IN THE WORLD

> The NEXT SAFEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD (After Iceland)

> A highly educated, well-trained workforce, that still manages to attract foreign investment

> A fairly low company tax and no corruption adds to investor interests as well

> In the wage laws we have 25 days of paid vacation every year. Many companies give 5 days extra (mine for instance)

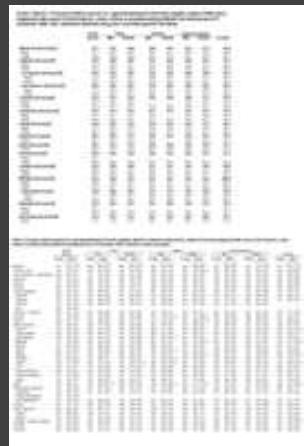
I have a semi-low wage (just above minimum) and I have something like 1700-1800 dollars each month after taxes, with roughly a third of that going to housing and the rest for "fun". A whole month of paid vacation every year on top of some 10'odd national holidays that either gives me extra pay or for which I get to go home and enjoy life.

I know that if I were in the top 20-30% in the US I would in some ways be better off. I would also weigh 20 kilos more, and any kind of injury or illness could financially ruin my life even if I had an insurance. Saw a documentary about a woman who has spent more than 200.000 dollars because of a complicated broken foot. A broken foot.... That amount is more than I pay in taxes over ten years...

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:19:31 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293427

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>>293414

How big is your house? How many cars? Is the cancer survival rate of the average person in your country 2% higher than the average black person in Detroit?

>> **Hedda Tillingbury** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:33:33 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293429

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>>293414

ahahaha

I live in America, I am on food stamps and welfare in Mississippi, and I own two Cadillacs (both 2012 models), eight video game systems (all current gen), and my welfare money enables me to buy at least one bottle of Cristal each month while keeping up my car payments.

I also pull in \$4000/month in combined welfare/food stamps, which I use to finance my television hobby.

I got lung cancer from smoking 2 packs a day for the past few years--and got a lung transplant, free, with Obamacare.

but go ahead keep pretending Denmark is a decent country.

PS: my housing project has a doorman in a tuxedo, fourteen floors, and is decorated in the art deco style. there are several fountains, and one of them was sculpted by michelangelo himself and was install after the 2008 presidential election.

>> **Hedda Tillingbury** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:36:06 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293430

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>>293429

PS: with the settlement money I got after suing the tobacco corporations and my disability payments I was able to purchase a tobacco plantation. now i smoke for free and pull in an additional \$90K annual, pure profit. i'm going to have a second home built on the plantation within this quarter (but my free penthouse will

still be my main residence).

>> **Fanny Chebberford** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:36:31 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293431   Quick Reply

>>293429

Besides the Michelangelo part that isn't quite far off the mark.

>> **Hedda Tillingbury** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:42:48 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293432   Quick Reply

>>293431

doubting the fountain? shame. my country takes care of me, if you know what I mean.

You jelly that all your time spent working for two or three years earns you half of what I make each month on my plantation + benefits? tough.

not all of us can be takers, so get back to work. i need a new caddy for when my eighth son gets out of the state pen.

>> **Phyllis Soshhood** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 19:59:16 EST ID:hQR18yj8 No.293434   Quick Reply

>>293432

The average welfare benefit is 25/day.

If you and your spouse work a 10/hour part time job on top, then you can easily make 3,000 a month.

Denmark guy is living in what would be considered poverty here.

>> **Ebenezer Gickle mug** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:03:41 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293436   Quick Reply

>>293434

>**The average welfare benefit is 25/day.**

source

>> **Ebenezer Gickle mug** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:04:09 EST ID:OmthrWVN No.293437   Quick Reply

>>293436

and I ask because my welfare benefits are much, much more than that. whether you believe me or not.

i wipe my ass with \$25

>> **Basil Sebblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:08:50 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293442   Quick Reply

>>293436

I was frogblasted on the link. Here's another.

[http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/fact-checker/post/a-misleading-chart-on-welfare-spending/2013/02/20/1b40bcde-7ba4-11e2-82e8-61a46c2cde3d\\_blog.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/fact-checker/post/a-misleading-chart-on-welfare-spending/2013/02/20/1b40bcde-7ba4-11e2-82e8-61a46c2cde3d_blog.html)

>> **Charles Gundlegold** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:11:15 EST ID:Hcy7h8iN No.293444   Quick Reply

>>293431

In your Ronald Reagan wet dreams maybe.

>> **Basil Sibblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:12:57 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293447   Quick Reply

>>293444

He posted the income of a couple working part time flipping burgers at McDonalds.

>> **Basil Sibblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:30:02 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293450   Quick Reply

>>293444

Besides, isn't the leftist wet dream to have unlimited money on welfare?

>> **Basil Sibblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 20:41:21 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293452   Quick Reply

Not only that, there is no minimum wage in Denmark.

Forbes (frogblasted):

>**The Scandinavian countries of Sweden, Norway, Finland and Denmark don't have a minimum wage at all because they are so highly unionized.**

So Denmark Guy's wages are probably typical and he's still in US-definition poverty.

>> **Basil Sibblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 23:35:17 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293473   Quick Reply

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Subtracting out obesity differences, US blacks have lower mortality than the average Swede.

>> **Basil Sibblelock** - Mon, 24 Jun 2013 23:35:59 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293474   Quick Reply

The link is tinyurl ... p3735ot

>> **Nigel Chunnerfoot** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:20:22 EST ID:to68B1ry No.293479   Quick Reply

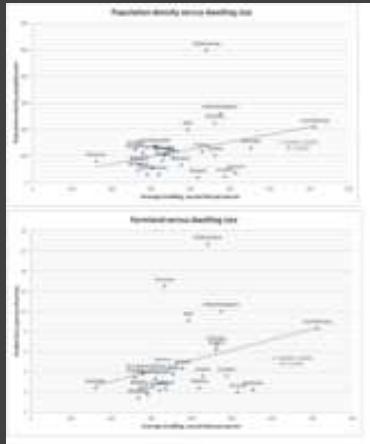
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government has nothing to do with land size. germany is a little bigger than nevada and has 90 million people, obviously everybody is going to have more space in a country 20x the size and has 4x the population

>> **Basil Sebblelock** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:44:18 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293481

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>>293479

Millionth time "population density" argument has come up. It doesn't come close to being an explanation.

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:55:26 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293482

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>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:56:27 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293483

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>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:57:50 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293484

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>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 02:58:51 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293485

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>> **Basil Sebblelock** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:00:03 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293486

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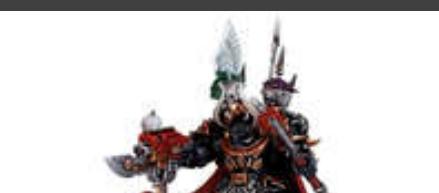
>>293485

You seem mad.

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:00:13 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293487

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>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:01:04 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293488   Quick Reply

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>>293486

Not mad.

>> **Basil Sebblelock** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:01:38 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293489   Quick Reply

>>293488

By the way the welfare state is a state institution. You should definitely support lower taxes.

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:03:38 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293490   Quick Reply

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>>293489

Now, this is happening. Watch it happen.

>> **Basil Sebblelock** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:04:35 EST ID:EAWTVEt3 No.293491   Quick Reply

>>293490

It's not a good look to shitpost in a thread because you lost an argument.

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:05:46 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293492    Quick Reply

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>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:07:14 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293493    Quick Reply

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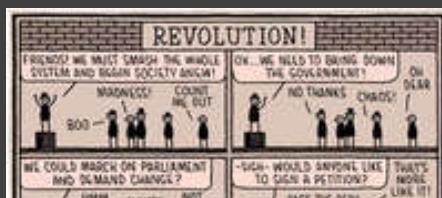


>>293491

It looks even better when you didn't lose, but OP is a troll who doesn't listen to other people,  
sooooooooooooooooooooooooooooo

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:09:01 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293494    Quick Reply

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Mwahahaha OP is a fag.



>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:09:43 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293495

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Dang ol' this one's for you Hank  
talkin' 'bout dang ol' kaboom man

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:10:59 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293496

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so

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:11:41 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293497

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yeah

>> **Walter Murdford** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 03:12:35 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293499

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eagles and shit

>> **Emma Clobberbanks** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 04:25:29 EST ID:DVpyqLzg No.293502

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>>293066

you dont honestly believe that do you?

>> **Frederick Pickhall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 05:41:26 EST ID:lCeoufs No.293503

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well every system eventually fails. and living space means nothing. the US has always had this "expansionist" culture which aims to use as much space as possible seeing as this is such a big country. the size of all those countries is probably a lost half of the us if even. you know what im probably getting trolled right now so no bump

>> **Angus Dartway** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 06:24:45 EST ID:U3P4FLsm No.293507

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>>293502

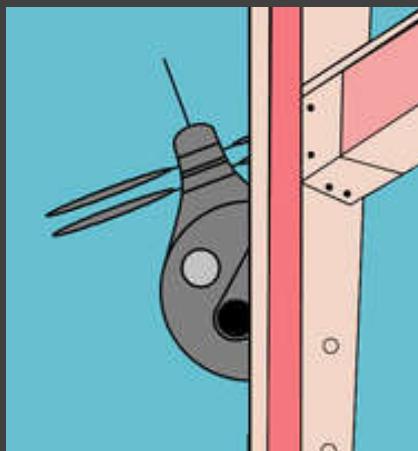
It takes about one look at poor people in an European country and the US to know how much bullshit has been spewn ITT.

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**Barnaby Coblinghit** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 09:49:35 EST ID:bRTm64eS No.293508

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Denmark guy here

There is something seriously wrong with you guys and your numbers: in other threads, on other discussion boards, on television and in the newspapers I can read that in some states the minimum wage is something like 5-7 dollars an hour. Which is like a third of Danish union's minimum wage. I phrased it wrongly when I said there were laws about wage, there are not, the unions negotiate wages with the employers.

I don't have children, if I had, I would get a fuckton of goverment spending of course: Doctor checkups, vaccinations for the children, economic assistance for daycare and later on for freetimeclub (where youngsters get to hang out after school until they reach 13-15 years of age) I would get support for my rent to a certain extent. Actually, I do believe that I have the right to apply for some financial support, like some 100 dollars a month, for my rent, but I prefer not to as I am not a leech. Most would of course.... I wouldn't have to spend so much on taxes either. Also, I would get something like.... 300-400 dollars depending on the exchange rate every three months in børnecheck (children's check). More children would mean less money for the goverment to prevent immigrants from breeding for money.

Also, one of the reasons why the life expectancy is lower in Denmark is that we drink and smoke a lot, compared to the US.

Another thing I do not understand, is how reliable those numbers can be.. In Denmark we have registered every person in a central database, and everyone have their own number in this system. In the US you can be born, live and die without ever being registered. Hell, illegal immigrants can go to school and highschool and college without ever being citizens! How can you guys pretend that any statistic is valid when your country is, by definition, impossible to make statistics about?

Also, cancer rates: Because of the private medicinal and hospital industry, there is an interest in diagnosing cancer diseases earlier even when they might just be harmless cysts. This artificially raises the cancer survival rates while raking in money. No link though... Someone here might have it.

Also, a good thing about Denmark is that it isn't a police state: say hello to your drones

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**Oliver Dandlelurk** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 09:53:20 EST ID:AgyT5f5Q No.293509

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im honestly too drunk to read all the links right now with the sucky internet i have at my country house (too much torrenting... i exceeded the limit). but could we stop treating europe as one country? even if there is a greater difference between massachusetts and new jersey than sweden and norway it dosent mean that the usa dosent have a far more cohesive country than the sad attempt the eu is turning out to be.  
just saying...

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**Phoebe Clayshaw** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 11:42:41 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293519

Quick Reply

>>293508

US minimum hourly wage is \$7.

Also I find it amusing how first you claim US ignores its citizens to the extent that you can "be born, live and die without even being registered" and then you call it a police state.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:12:03 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293523

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>>293508

>**Which is like a third of Danish union's minimum wage.**

But that's drowned out by the cost of living. Euros have such a severe housing and goods shortage that prices are ridiculous.

Cost of living comparisons still don't take into account the better variety and quality of goods in the US but they give an idea how bad it is.

[http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/compare\\_countries\\_result.jsp?country1=United+States&country2=Denmark](http://www.numbeo.com/cost-of-living/compare_countries_result.jsp?country1=United+States&country2=Denmark)

Consumer Prices in Denmark are 45.04% higher than in United States

Consumer Prices Including Rent in Denmark are 34.70% higher than in United States

Rent Prices in Denmark are 10.62% higher than in United States

Restaurant Prices in Denmark are 91.00% higher than in United States

Groceries Prices in Denmark are 23.33% higher than in United States

Local Purchasing Power in Denmark is 22.27% lower than in United States

Rent is actually about the same in both countries. It's more the overall cost of living is lower, because we're not a semi-socialist basketcase shortage economy.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:16:55 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293524

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>>293523

a 10% higher rent doesn't drown out a 100% higher minimum wage

>> **Shitting Blapperned** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:18:24 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293525

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Could you people please stop edging this bafoon? He's just as history-less as all of his cap-friends, completely forgetting the fact that Europe and her industries were nigh-obliterated during the last continental war. The USA emerged as the sole industrial nation completely unscathed, with a booming economy thanks to the ind-mil complex birthed by that war. We've been struggling to catch up ever since, and the Iron Curtain partly instigated by the US itself didn't help. We've been doing a damned fine job though.

There's nothing inherently great with US economic philosophy, they were merely lucky enough to be on the right side of history. It really hurts when philistines like OP try to hijack history like that in order to support a morally bankrupt system.

So SHUT IT and GTFO, OP. You're trampling all over the graves of the fallen British, American, German, Polish, French, Russian, Jewish etc who spilled their blood so that you could undeserved grow fat in your huge house and drive around in your fucking 4-track SUV while munching your weak-ass burgers and watching Jersey Shore like the drone you are.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:22:17 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293527

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>>293523

btw, you realise that those statistics are self-reported by a small number of internet respondents and not the result of any kind of scientific survey, right

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:22:55 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293528 Quick Reply

By the way, while we're discussing "minimum wages" in Denmark, those aren't true minimum wages. Those are collective bargaining wages for unionized workers. The US has an actual minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour (higher in some states) and only absolute, no experience, entry level workers make that. And you also have to consider that most Americans pay no net taxes, in fact it's quite a meme here that 47% of us receive net transfers from the government.

<http://www.cint.com/explore/world/doing-research-in-denmark/>

>**The Danish Annual Median Income after taxes is 22,000 USD or 16,258 EUR.**

\$22,000. That's a burger flipper's income in the US.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:23:52 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293529 Quick Reply

>>293527

"It's a conspiracy!"

No, dude, everyone is aware that cost of living is higher in Europe.

>> **Reuben Summehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:28:21 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293531 Quick Reply

>>293529

sure but it isn't so high that the minimum wage is effectively lower than in america

also what are you gibbering about, "conspiracy"? lol you weird right-wingers

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:39:42 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293532 Quick Reply

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>**It's still less than what some waiters make.**

is that it? that's the argument you want to end on? that "some" waiter makes more than the danish minimum wage ergo ron paul 2016?

>**The other thing is, the high minimum wages in Euro countries aren't just a barebones floor like they are in the US. They're a significant chunk of the typical income.**  
yes that's an astounding observation, a higher minimum wage causes the minimum wage to be a higher proportion of income, wow

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:48:36 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293534 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Quick Reply

>>293533

>**is that it? that's the argument you want to end on? that "some" waiter makes more than the danish minimum wage ergo ron paul 2016?**

Yep. Have you ever been to the US?

<http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes353031.htm>

Occupational Employment and Wages, May 2012

35-3031 Waiters and Waitresses

Mean hourly  
wage

\$9.95

Mean annual  
wage

\$20,710

And that's just wages, it's not tips.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:54:55 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293536 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Quick Reply

>>293534

actually in america tips are included in their income, that's why their minimum wage is lower than for other occupations.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:56:53 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293537 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Quick Reply

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>>293536

>**actually in america tips are included in their income, that's why their minimum wage is lower than for other occupations.**

You can doubt the BLS all you want. If you don't think they said "wage" I'll post the pic.



>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:58:03 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293538       Quick Reply

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>>293537

Why can't I hold all these images?

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 13:58:46 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293539       Quick Reply

>>293537

yeah i trust the federal government over the bls

<http://www.dol.gov/whd/state/tipped.htm>

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 14:03:51 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293541       Quick Reply

>>293539

I responded to your post, the image is taking a really long time to upload.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 14:05:20 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293542       Quick Reply

>>293541

and i showed you that tips are included in waiters' wages

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 14:05:33 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293543       Quick Reply

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>>293539

That doesn't actually contradict my point, it means other workers are even wealthier.

Yahoo Answers is wise as always.



>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 14:07:07 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293544 Quick Reply

and i note that even the top 90% percentile isn't paid as well as the danish minimum wage

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 14:07:39 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293545 Quick Reply

>>293543

actually it does contradict your point, you specifically said tips weren't included in wages

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 15:16:07 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293551 Quick Reply

>>293545

You never established that. Show me where in the source.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 15:30:10 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293553 Quick Reply

>>293545

I don't know how that would work either because tips aren't wages.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:09:36 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293574 Quick Reply

>>293551

>**Basic Combined Cash & Tip Minimum Wage Rate**

cash and tip minimum wage. the tip is part of the wage.

>>293553

tips are wages for waitresses in america. it's a subsidy for restaurent owners, basically.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:17:33 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293579 Quick Reply

>>293574

>**cash and tip minimum wage. the tip is part of the wage.**

That doesn't prove what you were trying to prove.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:19:29 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293580 Quick Reply

>>293579

actually it does, it completely contradicts your statement

>**And that's just wages, it's not tips.**

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:20:10 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293581

Quick Reply

>>293580

Can we get a third party to verify?

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:28:00 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293583

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<http://www.lonelyplanet.com/thorntree/thread.jspa?threadID=1835627>

"A Management position is so many things - I know ppl. considerering them as manegers with 30000 DKK/month other having 300,000/month - but then you are a CEO of a major company."

- The "minimum wage" (there is no national minimum wage in Denmark, only wages for individual professions) in this thread was 100DKK/hour
- That's 208,000DKK/year full time
- The "minimum wage" posted in this thread is the salary of a corporate executive in Denmark

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Lets take some others: University graduate (master or PhD): start 30-35000 - late in life - 60000-70000 DKK/month. Medical doctors and lawyers ends up higer - or some do.

School teacher start approx 25000 - end 35000. Skilled (3 yrs education) worker (engineer in many countries): DKK 25000 and UP - all are/month before tax - after those pensions that are "by law"."

>> **Reuben Summehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:28:37 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293584

Quick Reply

>>293581

the only arbitration committee i will respect is my desert eagle .50 bitch, end the fed 2016

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:31:29 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293586

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>>293584

But why didn't you call me out when I said a Danish CEO's monthly salary was the yearly salary on "minimum wage"?

>> **Reuben Summehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 17:50:04 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293594

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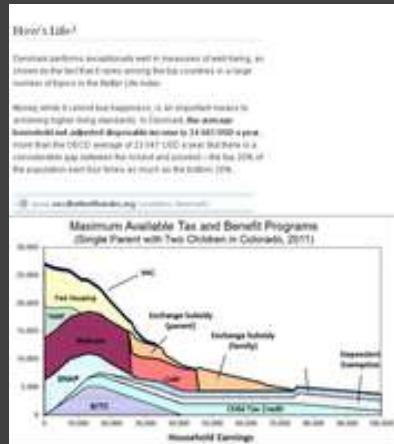
>>293586

maybe you didnt notice but i normally just read the first and last sentences of a post and ignore everything in between

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 18:36:33 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293602

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>>293594

That's a valid debating strategy.

Anyway, enjoy your poverty level average income.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 18:42:20 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293604

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>>293602

And Colorado is about average, it isn't even particularly high spending.

>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 18:48:24 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293605

Quick Reply

>>293604

<http://www.amazon.com/books/dp/0843945184>

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 18:52:02 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293606

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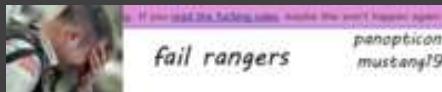


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>> **Reuben Summlehall** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:15:40 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293608   Quick Reply

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>>293606

c/d

>> **Shitting Blapperned** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:19:07 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293609   Quick Reply

Funny how you capitalists doesn't even answer criticism based on historical fact.

I guess the cognititve dissonance you people experience blinds you when you're shown that correlation and causation isn't the same thing. You people truly are unrooted in history. I'll take my sandwich then.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:31:55 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293610   Quick Reply

>>293608

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>**Funny how you capitalists doesn't even answer criticism based on historical fact.**

Which criticism? That the average (not the median) income in Denmark isn't quite welfare-tier poverty?

>> **Shitting Blapperned** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:48:24 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293613   Quick Reply

>>293610

You, see:

>>293525

I was not talking about Denmark. I was talking about the fact that the US escaping the destruction of WW2 unlike all other industrial nation back then. Capitalism never succeeded, it was just the dominant philosophy of the luckiest nation in modern history. Americans never had to rebuild, never had to catch up to a nation that hasn't seen true war on its homesoil for centuries.

This is why OPs arguement doesn't hold up, as all comparison between Europe and the US is simply unfair.

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:53:23 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293614   Quick Reply

>>293613

>This is why OPs arguement doesn't hold up, as all comparison between Europe and the US is simply unfair.

Only about half of Europe ever really fought in the war. It doesn't explain the fail of Sweden, Ireland et al (although Ireland at least improved a little after it started privatizing).

>> **Hamilton Bisslehedge** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 19:59:44 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293615 Quick Reply

>>293614

Okay, France was taken over. But France didn't fight, it surrendered immediately.

>> **Cornelius Beppertud** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:02:27 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293616 Quick Reply

>>293614

You must be dense to compare a superpower with worldwide military and economic reach to a nation of 9 million people.

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:03:40 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293617 Quick Reply

>>293616

>You must be dense to compare a superpower with worldwide military and economic reach to a nation of 9 million people.

You're talking about things that happened decades ago. Europe recovered from the war, that's why it had such an "economic miracle" for a time. The problem is that they never caught up.

>> **Cornelius Beppertud** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:08:51 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293618 Quick Reply

>>293615

France was never the industrial powerhouse of Europe. That was Germany, which suffered a complete obliteration (look up on what the Allies did to Dresden). France didn't exactly surrender either, they lost to Germany's superior military strategy, recognized that fact and gave up in order to preserve what they had left. Smart people

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:10:29 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293619 Quick Reply

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>>293617

Thanks for your economic fail europoors, you're subsidizing our wages.

>> **Cornelius Beppertud** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:13:57 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293620 Quick Reply

>>293617

You still don't understand. We lost almost everything, industries that took centuries to build, cities that outshone anything you Americans ever built. And what we have now was founded on AMERICAN relief funds. We didn't just loose our own house, but a world wide colonial empire to US hegemony.

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**Cornelius Gepperspear** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:16:45 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293621

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>>293620

<http://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs00181-009-0333-3>

>**You still don't understand.**

No, I do. Wars don't effect the long run growth path, only the output level, which recovers in a few years as capital is rebuilt. The key variables are the savings rates (which determine where the capital stock levels off at) and capital productivity.

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**Cornelius Gepperspear** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:17:25 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293622

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>>293620

>**but a world wide colonial empire to US hegemony.**

That wouldn't have lasted forever anyway, but perhaps it is a good point.

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**Ebenezer Fannerworth** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:28:34 EST ID:3AEKZs80 No.293626

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The US is hardly a paragon of capitalism, nor is most of Europe a fulfilling model of socialism; both are mixed economies. So basically, this whole discussion is based on a false premise.

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**Cornelius Beppertud** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:30:57 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293627

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>>293621

The balance of power has more to say when it comes to economy. The US was the only western nation with any real bargaining chips after the war, and was thus able to set up a world order that benefitted themselves. Not to mention the reindustrialization of the USSR which was a miracle in its own right. For a time after the war they were ahead of you after all.

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**Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:33:24 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293628

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>>293626

Yet the trolling continues.

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**Cornelius Gepperspear** - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:46:55 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293629

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>>293626

> **The US is hardly a paragon of capitalism, nor is most of Europe a fulfilling model of socialism; both are mixed economies.**



So basically, this whole discussion is based on a false premise.

There's still quite a big difference, the US has less regulation, particularly labor regulation.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:47:50 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293630

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>>293627

>For a time after the war they where ahead of you after all.

No not really, the USSR was always crap and Stalin himself admitted at Yalta that he couldn't have won the war without Lend Lease.

>> Cornelius Beppertud - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:58:16 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293631

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>>293630

And the US would have been in serious trouble if it where not for the millions of Russian men absorbing the major blows of the Nazi war machine. Perhaps fascism truly was the way?

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 20:59:08 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293632

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>>293631

>And the US would have been in serious trouble if it where not for the millions of Russian men absorbing the major blows of the Nazi war machine.

It would have just got bored and nuked them eventually. Anything else?

>> Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:06:51 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293633

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>>293632

> Anything else?

Gratified troll.

>> Cornelius Beppertud - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:07:30 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293634

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>>293632

Doubtful. If Hitler had won Europe I seriously doubt the US would stand in their way. They had ballistic missiles and jet engines years before anyone else.

It's just conjecture and make-believe at any rate. Capitalism was on the right side of history, no matter how we look at it.

>> Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:09:28 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293635

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>>293634

>the right side of history

The side that won out, not necessarily the right side, seeing as there is no ride side to history.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:10:08 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293636

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>>293633

If you think I'm a troll you can look up the data yourself.

>> Cornelius Beppertud - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:13:11 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293637

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>>293635

The right side of history is merely the one who ends up writing it, my friend.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:13:46 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293638

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While we're at it, I'd like to point out that even the average wages in welfare states are partially artificial. Some wages are from the government taxing its own public employees, others go to unemployment transfers to deal with high joblessness in these countries. This is why the disposable income and actual consumption figures are even starker.

>> Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:14:46 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293639

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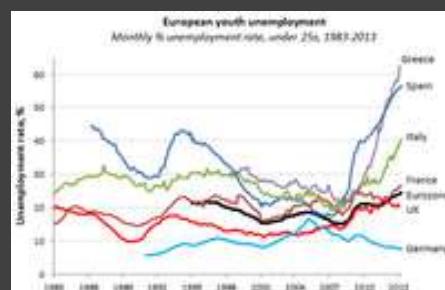
>>293636

The data? All the sweet data?! You are a troll because you obviously don't give a fuck about listening to the other side, you can give me all the sweet fucking data you want sugar, it doesn't mean you haven't been trolling /pol/ this week.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:17:53 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293640

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<http://www.theatlantic.com/business/archive/2013/05/europe-s-record-youth-unemployment-the-scariest-graph-in-the-world-just-got-scarier/276423/>

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/05/05/america-youth-unemployment\\_n\\_3219671.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/05/05/america-youth-unemployment_n_3219671.html)

"In 2000, the United States had the lowest non-employment rate for 25- to 34-year-olds among countries with large, wealthy economies. By 2011, America had one of the highest youth non-employment rates compared to its peers, according to a New York Times op-ed by David Leonhardt, the paper's Washington bureau chief."

"And it doesn't seem like things will get better for America's young people any time soon. Demos found that the U.S. economy will have to create more than 4 million jobs before young adults will be employed at levels similar to those before the recession. In addition, 16.1 percent of Americans ages 18 to 29 were out of work in April, according to Generation Opportunity, a nonpartisan youth advocacy group. "

Actually, huffpost, only Germany has a lower rate, and that's because of the Euro and the fact that it never issued a "stimulus".

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:18:25 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293641

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>>293639

I respond to everyone's posts, even the bad ones. Shoot.

>> Cornelius Beppertud - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:26:07 EST ID:we4ifzx4 No.293642

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>>293638

There you go again.

Value itself is artificial. Debt is artificial. Economy is based on faith in artificial ideas and systems. The scandinavian nations has been keeping employment rates artificially high with great success measured by standard of living and living satisfaction. It simply doesn't matter as long as it works. Good night.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Tue, 25 Jun 2013 21:29:33 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293643

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>>293642

>It simply doesn't matter as long as it works.

But it doesn't.

>> David Tillingham - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 00:25:16 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293651

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A1ifJyTK, I saulte your patience.

I will be sad to see you go when you finally crack under the neverending waves of retarded questions.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 00:43:51 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293656

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>>293651

Thanks, I try.

>> Fanny Clagglewitch - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 03:50:09 EST ID:rZY+olhK No.293666

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>>293643

You realize that 95% of that gdp is made by rich people, US gdp has very little impact on the average joe because income gap.

>> David Tillingham - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 09:57:36 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293679

Quick Reply

>>293666

And yet the standard of living in USA is highest in the world.

If it's not because of their world's highest GDP, then why?

>> **Nathaniel Hallymet** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 10:02:23 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293680

>>293679

>**And yet the standard of living in USA is highest in the world.**

whose standard of living and by what measure

>> **Isabella Sepperstock** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 10:59:00 EST ID:nzpElled No.293681

>>293679

>**the standard of living in USA is highest in the world.**

Do you actually think that?

>> **David Tillingham** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 11:17:22 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293683

>>293681

Third country by Human Development Index and fourth by Median household income - but it should be noted that every country ahead of USA is a welfare state, so post-tax income will be significantly lower, unlike USA.

So do you have a reason NOT to think that other than your crazy conspiracy theories?

>> **Nathaniel Hallymet** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 11:35:06 EST ID:/0UNj8Ut No.293684

>>293683

>**Third country by Human Development Index**

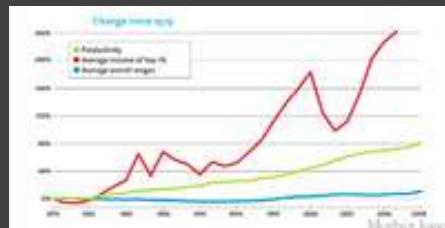
sixteenth when adjusted for inequality so not very impressive at all when you consider the history involved

>**fourth by Median household income - but it should be noted that every country ahead of USA is a welfare state, so post-tax income will be significantly lower, unlike USA.**

yes taxes taken in by a welfare state just vanish into the ether, lowering standards of living. they aren't used to pay for services for the public. oh no.

>> **Esther Secklewill** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 13:18:14 EST ID:JFORv5sf No.293690

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>>293679

You don't have the highest standard of living in the world. It just sounds so good and tastes like cool-aid.

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 13:38:32 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293692

How's Life?

Denmark performs exceptionally well in measures of well-being, as shown by the fact that it ranks among the top countries in a large number of topics in the Better Life Index.

Money, while it cannot buy happiness, is an important means to achieving higher living standards. In Denmark, the average household net-adjusted disposable income is 34,682 USD a year, more than the OECD average of 23,647 USD a year. But there is a considerable gap between the rich and poor – the top 20% of the population earn four times as much as the bottom 20%.

More stupid crap in this thread.

We've already established that the average (not the median) Danish household (not the individual) makes \$25,000 disposable for year. With a 36% higher cost of living than the US, that's \$19,000.

An American waiter, working full time \$10/hour, would make \$20k a year. And because they would certainly be part of "the 47%" that receives net transfers from the government, their disposable is higher.

There are some oil emirates and tax havens with higher standard of living than the US, but this "Europe isn't dirt poor third world" stuff has to stop.

>> **Esther Secklewill** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 13:41:31 EST ID:JFORv5sf No.293693

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>>**Since 1980, U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) per capita has increased 67% while median household income has only increased by 15%**

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 14:12:19 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293694

Quick Reply

>>293693

That doesn't tell us much because households change size. What you want to look at is the median income which was posted in the other thread.

>> **David Tillingham** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 14:17:05 EST ID:pCs693/0 No.293695

Quick Reply

>>293690

You do realize that graph does not support your argument in the slightest right?

>> **Esther Secklewill** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 14:36:00 EST ID:JFORv5sf No.293697

Quick Reply

>>293692

>>**An American waiter, working full time \$10/hour, would make \$20k a year. And because they would certainly be part of "the 47%" that receives net transfers from the government, their disposable is higher.**

Umm, you mean the 47% that pay no income tax? That'd make their disposable income equal to their income before taxes, but not higher. They still pay sales tax, taxes on gas and all that.

>>**With a 36% higher cost of living than the US**

Cost of living index doesn't take healthcare and education into account. Healthcare especially seems to take a good chunk out of US "disposable income", while Danes have much smaller health care costs to begin with and have already paid most of it in taxes when they receive theirs.

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 14:40:44 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293698

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>>293697

Good points, I mean you can add 20% to the Danish income and it's still barely above ramen noodle poverty.



>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:34:00 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293714

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>>293706

your graph is dumb, it just says that after 10 years in the workforce the poors become slightly less poor, and the rich retire and draw slightly less blood from society with their parasitism

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:35:19 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293715

Quick Reply

>>293714

Way to dodge the point pan, try harder.

>I~~lmao~~ you're comparing disposable income against total income

Yeah, because the bottom 20% receive net transfers so their disposable is higher.

>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:36:10 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293717

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>>293715

stop comparing apples with oranges.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:37:05 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293718

Quick Reply

>>293717

It's not apples with oranges when Europoors are in Alabama-tier poverty.

>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:38:20 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293719

Quick Reply

>>293718

that remains to be proven, you're stating that based on the flawed apples-oranges comparison.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:39:48 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293720

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>>293719

>that remains to be proven, you're stating that based on the flawed apples-oranges comparison.

Actually, move to Alabama sometime, it will probably be paradise compared to whatever Somalia you're living in.

>> Lord of the Ominous Veil of Darkness That Is the Night - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:43:20 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293724

Quick Reply

>>293720

Have you ever been to Alabama? Did you use your manners when you were there?

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 16:45:09 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293727

Quick Reply

>>293724

I've never lived there, no, but it can't be worse than wherever you are.

>> **Lillian Hevingsit** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 17:11:55 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293737

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DICKS EVERYWHERE

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 17:16:28 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293739

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>>293737

That's a really weird urban layout but what's the square footage on those homes? Is it an entire family crowded into each room or are those individual units?

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 17:30:27 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293743

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>>293739

<http://www.rightmove.co.uk/overseas-property-for-sale/Germany.html?sortType=2&maxPrice=200000&currencyCode=GBP>

If it's the former then it's almost as bad as Germany where there are normally two bedrooms in the entire house.

>> **Oliver Fuckingworth** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:23:34 EST ID:XpVJOOFJ No.293750

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>>293698

**>I mean you can add 20% to the Danish income and it's still barely above ramen noodle poverty.**

Hyperbole. They actually eat as well as any American. They're fat as fuck.

When comparing income you completely forgo the return of well-fare systems. In Norway we get virtually free health-care which becomes completely free if the nominal cost goes above around 350 USD per year which also count for psychiatric diagnoses, we get free higher education, child-support that'd make any foreigner drool, paid sick-leave, paid maternity and paternity leave which are the longest in the world, general money support if your income is low enough, support if you have debilitating decease, superior mass transit systems, as well as tasty and drinkable tap-water.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:28:20 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293751

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>>293750

[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics\\_explained/index.php/Glossary:National\\_disposable\\_income](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/statistics_explained/index.php/Glossary:National_disposable_income)

>**When comparing income you completely forgo the return of well-fare systems.**

No, disposable income includes all transfers, including welfare payments.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:30:52 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293753

Quick Reply

>>293751

Clearer definition.

[http://www.bea.gov/faq/index.cfm?faq\\_id=106](http://www.bea.gov/faq/index.cfm?faq_id=106)

Disposable personal income is total personal income minus personal current taxes.

Personal current taxes is tax payments (net of refunds) that are made by persons and that are not chargeable to business expense and certain other payments by persons to government agencies (except government enterprises) that are treated like taxes.

Personal current taxes includes taxes on income, including realized net capital gains, and on personal property. Also included in personal taxes are personal licenses. Contributions for government social insurance are not included.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:31:52 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293754

Quick Reply

>>293753

>**Contributions for government social insurance are not included.**

So note that even the cost of Danish social security payments isn't included in the disposable income figure.

>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:56:30 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293755

Quick Reply

>>293754

dazo you aren't a political scientist, dont pretend to know whether or not danish social insurance programmes are paid by with taxes or after tax contributions

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 18:58:55 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293756

Quick Reply

>>293755

>**dazo you aren't a political scientist, dont pretend to know whether or not danish social insurance programmes are paid by with taxes or after tax contributions**

That's irrelevant Panopticon. Taxes to pay for social security aren't subtracted from disposable income.

>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:02:53 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293757

Quick Reply

>>293756

it said contributions to insurance, not taxes. taxes are included in taxes by definition.

>> Nathaniel Hallymet - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:05:14 EST ID:0UNj8Ut No.293758

Quick Reply

like, maybe you have never held a job before, but when you do, check the pay slip and it will say something like "income tax: £13.80 nat ins: £7.57" (just quoting from a job i held during college)

one is a tax, the other is a contribution to insurance. don't pretend to know how the danes pay into their programmes.

>> Oliver Fuckingworth - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:11:48 EST ID:XpVJOOFJ No.293759

Quick Reply

>>293754

I still think you're making unfair arguments. You're thinking, but you miss the bigger picture for the small details and statistics. You're consecutively comparing a nation of over 300 million people to singular cases with under less than half of that, with much less diverse resources and economies, and much less geopolitical power. Do not make the mistake of seeing the EU as integrated economically as the US. For what the individual nations have, they're doing remarkably well. Most of them aren't even socialists.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:17:51 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293760

Quick Reply

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>>293758

>**don't pretend to know how the danes pay into their programmes.**

I don't pretend to, I'm just addressing some pedant's nitpick. What's your point?

>**You're consecutively comparing a nation of over 300 million people to singular cases with under less than half of that, with much less diverse resources and economies, and much less geopolitical power.**

Nah, whatever measure you use, they're all fail.

Integration might add another 2-3% GDP but nobody expects that to make up for the massive difference in living standards.

>> Cornelius Gepperspear - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:23:59 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293761

Quick Reply

>>293759

>**You're consecutively comparing a nation of over 300 million people to singular cases**

The only reason I'm doing that is to respond to people who think Sweden is some kind of developed country or whatever. If we compare the EU-15 to the US it's much worse.

>> **Oliver Fuckingworth** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:29:37 EST ID:XpVJOOFJ No.293762 Quick Reply

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>>293760

>I'm just addressing some pedant's nitpick.

You're being way too hypocritical. Still, you got me for a minute there.

>Integration might add another 2-3% GDP

And now you're just pulling shit out your ass.

8/10 good job, I should've read through the thread before replying.

>> **Cornelius Gepperspear** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 19:31:51 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293763 Quick Reply

>>293762

>And now you're just pulling shit out your ass.

<http://economics.mit.edu/files/7465>

The bulk of gains from integration occurred in the 19th and early 20th century as transportation technology improved. Further gains in the EU (or the US) are pretty marginal.

>> **Fucking Worthingbanks** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 20:08:31 EST ID:tFRS6/bQ No.293772 Quick Reply

<http://www.100abandonedhouses.com/>

>> **Lydia Hussleforth** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 20:43:10 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293779 Quick Reply

>>293772

What is it, s.perg?

>> **Lydia Hussleforth** - Wed, 26 Jun 2013 23:39:36 EST ID:A1ifJyTK No.293788 Quick Reply

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>>293779

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>>239515 God dammit, sorry about the spoils, I haven't used them lately... -.- very sorry....



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